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## THREE DROWN AS TUG SINKS

### British Freighter Author, Bound for Victoria, Sends Out Distress Call

#### VICTORIA MARKS CHRISTMAS EVE

All City Throngs Streets and Stores to Make Last-Minute Purchases of Presents and Things Forgotten

OLD-TIMERS RECALL NO BUSIER SEASON

Agreement Is General 1923 Christmas Best Since War—Motorists Make Brave Turnout

IT was Christmas Eve in Victoria last night, a real Christmas Eve, a night which did not depend for its inspiration upon weather or location; and the Christmas spirit was everywhere apparent in the crowded streets and stores, which were alike thronged with last-minute shoppers, until the tired salespeople gave the signal for closing by making ready the dust cloths over the depleted stocks of Christmas merchandise.

There was a wind blowing out at sea last night, and between eight and nine o'clock it blew a squall of rain into the town; but wind was stronger than rain, which did no more than dampen the pavements with a promise of green Christmas. It was a mere wind-borne shower, and it would have taken much more of a downpour of the cloud masses lashed over the Straits to have dampened the set purpose of the shoppers to achieve the final item of belated Christmas purchasing.

Crowds Everywhere

There was no doubt about the crowds. Old timers were agreed that they had never seen the streets so thronged with people. Younger people and comparative newcomers to the city remarked that it was the busiest Christmas season since the Great War. On the evidence afforded by the appearance of the business district all

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#### FUGITIVE MAJOR FROM WINNIPEG CAPTURED

Associate Magistrate Wanted for Alleged Embellishment of \$5,431 Is Jailed in St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 24.—Associate Magistrate Heath Jackson, of Winnipeg, who also is a major in the 86th Regiment of Canada, was arrested here today on a message from Winnipeg, charging him with embellessing \$5,431. He was traced to St. Louis, police said, through a letter he wrote to Winnipeg officials under a different name, with a request for an upright man and suggesting the embellessing charge be dropped.

Major Heath Jackson, clerk of the Provincial police court in Winnipeg, and a justice of the peace, is wanted by Chief of Police Newton in connection with alleged irregularities in Major Jackson's department. Major Jackson left Winnipeg some weeks ago.

#### Moscow Finances Communist Plot In Portugal

MADRID, Dec. 24.—An official note issued by the Spanish Government today makes known the discovery of a Communist plot, headed by men in Spain and Portugal and financed from Moscow. Numerous arrests are said to have been made. It is stated that the organizers of the plot were engaged in forming sporting clubs and commercial organizations and using for correspondence envelopes and letterheads of commercial firms. Among those taken into custody in Madrid were several members of the Central Federation of Communist Youth. The secretary-general of this organization is said to have fled to France, carrying with him the archives and funds.

#### BEQUEATHED ALL TO HIS COUNTRY

GADEAU, Italy, Dec. 24.—Gabriele d'Annunzio, soldier-poet, has bequeathed all his possessions as "an altar of victory" to his country. The bequest consists of his villa and spacious garden, where he has erected numerous shrines in circular form, each shrine containing a relic from the Alps where the famous encounters of the war occurred.

R. G. Chamberlain Dead

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—Rufus Gardner Chamberlain, chief of the department of investigation of the C.P.R., died at the Royal Victoria Hospital this afternoon. Mr. Chamberlain was sixty years of age.

THE COLONIST wishes its readers a Happy and Merry Christmas—May all their dreams come true this morning, and may the spirit of Christmas Day endure beyond the chimes of midnight, to witness that today has joined the host of yesterdays

#### VICTORIA SEE IS AGAIN FILLED

MONSIGNOR O'DONNELL TO SUCCEED BISHOP MACDONALD

New Incumbent Was Popular as President of Catholic Church Extension Society of Canada

Rt. Rev. Alexander Macdonald's successor to the Catholic see of Victoria has been announced. Advice received by The Colonist last night was that Rev. Thomas O'Donnell, president of the Catholic Church Extension Society of Canada, had received the appointment.

Local Catholics here, when interviewed last evening at St. Andrew's Cathedral just before the celebration of midnight mass, stated that they had had no intimation of the appointment, but expressed great gratification at the news, saying that Father O'Donnell would be very popular with all sections of the church here.

Rev. Thomas O'Donnell filled the position of Toronto parish priest, St. Ann's for some time. Recently he was appointed monsignor and domestic prelate to his holiness. He is well known to the church throughout Canada, and especially in the West, owing to his work in church extension, his man of middle age and in the prime of his career, he couples spiritual force with scholarship and administrative ability of no small order.

The diocese of Victoria is to be congratulated on the appointment, and Monsignor O'Donnell is also to be congratulated in being named for the see of Victoria, commented a visiting priest in referring to the announcement.

Monsignor O'Donnell succeeds Bishop Macdonald, who is now an assistant bishop stationed at St. Augustine Seminary at Toronto. Bishop Macdonald resigned on June 5, since when the see has been vacant.

Import From Canada

HARRISBURG, Dec. 24.—Canada is furnishing large quantities of Christmas trees to the United States. A dealer in Allentown has received three carloads of balsam fir trees, which cost approximately \$800 a car, and with freight charges of \$10 a car and duty amounting to \$35 per carload.

#### Governor, Premier And Mayor Issue Holiday Messages

THE season's greetings are extended to the people of Victoria this morning by Lieutenant-Governor Walter C. Nichol, Premier John Oliver and Mayor Hayward, in the following messages:

Lieutenant-Governor Nichol: "I wish to take this opportunity of expressing cordial greetings and hopes that the New Year will hold in store happiness and prosperity. The coming year offers every reason to look forward to a bright future."

Premier John Oliver: "The Christmas season of 1923 finds British Columbia well on its way out of the gloomy period of business depression and unemployment that followed the Great War. With business conditions improved and brighter days before us, I wish the citizens a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Mayor Hayward: "I wish to extend hearty Christmas greetings and hope that this festive season will be one of love, happiness and joy for all citizens and for the strangers within our gates. The year now closing has been one of steady progress and improvement. Victoria can face the outlook for 1924 in a spirit of cheerfulness and optimism, confident that the future holds the highest promise for the city and every prospect of great prosperity."

#### World-Wide Yuletide Greetings Received by His Holiness Pope Pius

ROME, Dec. 24.—Christmas greetings from all over the world are reaching Pope Pius in a steady stream on the eve of the holiday. There were preliminary observations within the Vatican today. The gardeners of the Vatican gardens presented the Pontiff with a handsome tribute of flowers and fruit. Later all the members of the Sacred College were received and tendered their good wishes. The Dean of the College, Cardinal Van der Smissen, presented an appropriate address. Pope Pius responded with impromptu remarks, ending by extending the Christmas message that God might bless the peace and goodwill prevail on earth.

#### SPECIAL CHURCH SERVICES TODAY

Celebrations of Holy Communion or Mass to Be Observed by Anglican, Catholic, Reformed Episcopal and Lutheran Bodies—Mass Celebrated Last Night at St. Andrew's Cathedral—Sunday Ceremonies Held in Various City Places of Worship

SPECIAL Christmas music and elaborate Christmas decorations gave the usual unique interest to the services in the city churches on Sunday, and even the most irregular of churchgoers were tempted forth to participate in the ceremonies. The result was that the seating accommodation in most of the churches was quite inadequate to the demands, and the sum total of disappointments meant that crowds were turned away without being able to gain admission.

All denominations, save the Church of England, Roman Catholic, Reformed Episcopal and Lutheran, concluded their Christmas services on Sunday evening, but in addition to their very beautiful choral services the Anglican churches are also holding celebrations this morning. At St. Andrew's Cathedral there will be Mass and Holy Communion at 11; at St. Mary's there will be four celebrations of Holy Communion, at 7, 8, 9, 30 and 11 noon; at St. John's there will be Mass and Holy Communion at 11; at St. Andrew's Cathedral there will be Mass at 7:30, and Mass will be said every half hour until 10 o'clock, when High Mass will be sung, and afterwards there will be the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Every sect in St. Andrew's Cathedral was taken when the midnight celebration of Mass took place last night, the celebrant being Rt. Rev.

Monsignor Leterme, administrator of the diocese. Assisting him were Rev. John Knox, S.J., as deacon, who also preached the sermon; and Rev. A. B. W. Wood, as subdeacon.

The choir gave a very fine rendering of the music being under the direction of Major L. Bullock-Webster, and Mrs. Catherine McDonagh sang the "Noel," by Adam, also with Mr. Reginald Clarkson assisting in the singing of Novello's setting of "Adeste Fideles." Miss Marguerite McKay presided at the organ and played the Christmas Offertory in C minor by Jules Grieson, and the Bach Prelude and Fugue in G minor.

Today's Services

Following are the services to be held in this different city churches this morning:

Christ Church

Matins and Holy Communion at 11 a.m., with the following music: Organ—Fantasia on Two Noels. Choir—"The Christmas Carol," J. Bennett. Te Deum—D. Platt. Sullivan Choral Communion Service in E Flat.

Well-known Christmas hymns and carols will be sung.

The choir, which now numbers sixty voices, has for some weeks been rehearsing for this occasion.

St. John's

Celebrations of Holy Communion will be held at 8 and 11. Besides the

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#### BOGUS CHEQUE ARTIST ACTIVE

"CERTIFIED" TRUCK TURNED AT VANCOUVER FOR \$9,012.40

Three Banks Victimized by Means of Rubber Stamp During Holiday Rush Hours

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—Through the use of a forged "certified" rubber stamp, exactly similar to that used by the banks, a man who has kept a small account in three local banks obtained a total of \$9,012.40 by cashing worthless cheques during the holiday rush here Saturday. In the Standard Bank of Commerce and the Union Bank he had accounts under the name of G. A. Roberts. In the Standard Bank he was known as H. A. Stewart. His kept small accounts and was in good standing in the banks' books for twelve months. On Saturday, he cashed a cheque at the Bank of Commerce for \$3,262.40; in the Union Bank one for \$3,260 and in the Standard Bank one for \$2,550. Each cheque was stamped in the register as if certified by the ledger-keeper. There was a few dollars on deposit in each bank to meet the cheques. The police today have no clue to the forger's identity.

Same Trick Elsewhere

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—The story of how he had victimized more than a score of banks in a number of cities for a gross amount of more than \$100,000, was told here today by Fred Mayer, alias E. B. Hatfield, alias William F. Walker, arrested following identification by a former bank employee.

Mayer, according to the police, lived here with his wife and baby. As the need for money developed, he began to cash cheques, open accounts with several banks and cash his harvest by the aid of forged certificates of deposit, then return to California. According to Mayer's story to the police, his richest haul was during the present year, when he obtained \$3,000 from Buffalo banks and \$2,000 from Kansas City strongholds.

#### EXPRESS CONFIDENCE IN BRACKEN CABINET

Two By-Elections in Manitoba Result in Victory for Both Ministers

WINNIPEG, Dec. 24.—Elections of Mountain and Falcon constituencies to the cabinet owing to the reorganization carried out by Premier John Bracken early in the month.

George Fraser, Conservative, who was defeated in Mountain by Mr. Cannon, saved his deposit by about thirty votes. Complete returns from this constituency gave Mr. Cannon 1,633 and Mr. Fraser 554.

Maurice Dupre, former member of the legislature, running as an independent candidate, lost his deposit in Carleton constituency, where he was running against Mr. Prefontaine. Latest returns available tonight from 14 out of 17 polls give Mr. Prefontaine 1,138 votes and Mr. Dupre 412.

The government majority over the combined opposition groups is still one in a house of fifty-five members.

Many Killed and Injured in Wreck On Mexican Road

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 24.—More than a score were killed, many of them Americans, in a general wreck, when a train was wrecked near Oskaya, state of Guanajuato, Mexico, yesterday, according to reports brought here by travelers on the Mexican City-Juarez train late today.

SHERBROOKE, Que., Dec. 24.—More (O'Brien) K.M.P.F. for Sherbrooke County, aged fifty-nine, died here Saturday, after a brief illness. He was elected to the Quebec Assembly in February last, but never took his seat.

#### TYEE FOUNDERS IN A GALE AT PEDDER BAY; TWO SWIM ASHORE

Victoria-Bound Vessel Author Helpless on Washington Coast—Gale Drives Ship Towards Rocks.

#### BAMFIELD RESCUERS RACE AGAINST TIME

Canadian Life-Saving Steamer Givenchy Braves Fury of Storm—Other Ships Turn Back.

PRACTICALLY helpless in the grip of a gale that in sudden fury had had few counterparts in the marine annals of the Coast, the British steamer Author was early this morning drawing ever closer towards the relentless rocks of the Washington coastline. Wireless operators, who first picked up word of her danger at 10 p.m., were still straining at their instruments for the final flash to tell of her striking when The Colonist went to press.

The vessel, a cargo steamer of 4,900 net tons and a crew of about 45 men, was bound for Victoria with liquor from Glasgow, and due here this Christmas morning. She left San Francisco three days ago.

Radio Message

Shortly after ten o'clock, the Portland radio station got into communication with the ship, asking "Are you ashore?"

The Author replied: "No, not yet." She asked for "immediate assistance." No subsequent messages were picked up from the ship.

Early this morning Portland reported that the steamer Skagway, thirty miles distant from the Author, was going to her assistance. The Skagway reported by radio receiving messages from the Author that she was drifting inshore and that soundings showed sixty fathoms of water. She gave her position as 47.05 north, 124.55 west. This is off Gray's Harbor, Washington, and just north of the Columbia River.

Later reports from Portland said that the Skagway had sent another message saying she was unable to go to the assistance of the Author because of the fierceness of the gale.

The steamer Glumot, 35 miles distant from the endangered British vessel, flashed word to the same purpose.

The Author, believed to be commanded on the trip by Captain William Page, is well known here. Owned by the Harrison Brothers, of Liverpool, and operated in the Harbourside Line from Liverpool and Glasgow to the Pacific, she made her last trip here about two years ago. Rither Consolidated, Limited, agents for the line, expected her in port today.

Formerly St. Egbert

The ship was originally known as the St. Egbert, being then one of the Rankin-Gillmore fleet. She was bought by the Harrison Line, together with the rest of the Rankin fleet, after the war to replace war losses. During the conflict the steamer made an unusual record. She was captured by the notorious German raider Continued on Page 5

#### Terrific Gale Menaces Ships On Entire Coast

THE gale that last night marked the advent of the day of "Peace on earth, good will unto men," and sank the tug Tyee and scattered wreckage shipping along the entire coast, was one of the most sudden visitations to which this vicinity has ever been subjected. Sweeping rapidly in without warning from the Pacific, it struck the coast at 9 p.m. with moderate force, then worked itself up to the fury of forty-four miles an hour from the southeast at midnight. As the centre of the disturbance passed over the island, the wind veered to the southwest, gathering strength as it did so, and this morning was roaring by at a phenomenal pace.

Mr. Napier Deason, superintendent of the Gonzales Observatory, last night watched the barometer fall at abnormal speed, he said. At midnight it had reached 29.20, and was still falling. The gale was of a squally nature, and of severe force. Judged from the rapidly with which it had arrived, he considered that it would travel over the island just as swiftly, and would be of brief duration. It was the severest Christmas gale in more than twenty years.

#### SAYS NO PLACE FOR EMIGRANTS

VANCOUVER RESIDENT WRITES HOME TO LONDON

Publisher Philosophizes on Alleged State of Affairs as Told by Correspondent

LONDON, Dec. 24.—"Canada is No Place for Emigrants," is the heading in large type of an article in The Star this evening which occupies considerable space.

"No work is available in any of the cities in Canada," The Star says, and it bases its statement on a letter received from one of its old readers, dated at Vancouver, B.C., December 8. Enclosed in the letter is a clipping from a Vancouver paper of December 4, stating that unemployed men from Great Britain are docking to Vancouver.

Many of these, according to the writer of the letter, said they were induced to leave the Old Country in the summer for work in the Western harvest fields, but were able only to secure a few days' employment, after which they were advised to come to British Columbia.

No Work Available

The writer asks The Star to tell its readers, especially the working class, that "there is positively no work available for them in any Canadian city right now."

The Star, apparently not appreciating the reasonable character of employment in Canada, draws the moral that "the unemployment question here is not going to be settled by shovelling the unemployed into the Dominions." It says further: "Some more effective policy (than the present emigration policy) will have to be adopted here."

#### Captain John Anderson Goes Down With Vessel, Imprisoned in Pilot House, as She Founders in Huge Waves.

#### MATE AND ENGINEER ARE ONLY SURVIVORS

Swim Ashore in Boiling Surf When Lifeboat Capsizes—Second Engineer and Cook Are Lost.

THREE members of the local tugboat Tyee were drowned when the small vessel, helpless before the fury of a forty-four-mile-an-hour gale foundered in Pedder Bay at 9 o'clock last night—on Christmas Eve.

Engineer Pike and First Mate Warden fought their way to shore in the boiling surf. Captain John Anderson, they said, was unable to get out of the pilot house in time to escape from the stricken vessel. Second Engineer Jim Davis, and the cook, known as Jack, also perished when they were swept from an up-turned lifeboat which somehow had been launched from the deck as the ship went down. All three were residents of Victoria.

The Tyee left Victoria for Port Angeles yesterday morning. Returning here, she was suddenly overtaken, with an empty scow in tow, when approaching Pedder Bay, with the full force of the southeast gale which sprang up with startling suddenness. She entered the bay to seek shelter.

Pike, the owner of the boat, was the first to reach shore. Utterly exhausted by his fight with the giant waves, piercingly cold, he rested awhile on the beach to gather strength for his search for aid. In the blackness of the storm, blinded by driving rain, he blundered for two hours through the forest until, attracted by a light, he staggered up

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#### G.W.V.A. PRESIDENT SENDS GREETINGS

Asks Ex-Servicemen to Forget Their Troubles and Radiate True Happiness

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The Dominion president of the Great War Veterans of Canada has today sent out the following Christmas message to all branches of the association:

"Again we celebrate Christmas, the anniversary of the birthday of a Child who, grown to manhood, spent His whole time thinking and working for others. Christmas is essentially a children's festival, when happiness reigns, when kindness and kindly thoughts and actions predominate. We cannot be children again, but happy the one who can live over again at Christmas the happy delusions of childhood days, with its trustfulness, faith and good cheer to others."

"As ex-servicemen who have known sorrow and pain, let us forget all these and, remembering only true comradeship, radiate happiness."

#### LADY ASTOR SENDS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Many Canadian Soldiers Who Enjoyed Hospitality at Cliveden Send Season's Greetings

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Lady Astor asks the Canadian Press to send a Christmas message for her to the United States and Canada, in which she makes reference to the war days when she helped to minister to wounded Canadian soldiers on the Astor estate at Cliveden, Taplow, Buckinghamshire. The message is as follows:

"When Christmas comes, my heart turns back to Dixie and to Canada. I hope our Cliveden Canadians will miss us just a little. We shall think of them and drink their health in grade A milk—the kind they know so well."

#### Christmas Trees Great Demand

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Germany, who claims to be the home of the Christmas tree idea, has a dearth of evergreens this season unequalled for many years, even during the war. The high cost of transportation is chiefly blamed for the shortage.

John W. S. Fielding Improves

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The condition of Right Hon. W. S. Fielding continues to improve. He seemed to be better this morning.



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## AMNESTY CLEARS IRISH PRISONS

COUNTRESS MARKIEVICH SET AT LIBERTY YESTERDAY

Prominent Fighters and Red Rebels Released From Internment Camps and Jails

DUBLIN, Dec. 24.—The Free State government today announced the release of Countess Georgina Markievicz, one of the leading women republicans, who was arrested here November 20. The government also announced that between December 1 and 23 political prisoners to the number of 3,481 had been liberated.

The release of prisoners from internment camps and jails in the Free State continues rapidly, sometimes hundreds at a time, but there will still be a substantial number left in the government's custody.

The character of the release is noteworthy; forty included republican deputies elected at the last election, and even some of the members of Eamon de Valera's rival republican administration.

Robert Farion, cousin of Eoin O'Duffy, who has been in jail for more than a year, was also freed.

Eamon de Valera is in solitary confinement, and according to Kevin O'Higgins, the Home Minister, is occupying his time reading Elsinor.

## NOME PASTOR DIES ON CHARITY MISSION

Rev. F. J. Ruppert Frozen to Death on Yulefest Visit to Distant Orphan

NOME, Alaska, Dec. 24.—An Eskimo muffled 75 miles in two days to Nome today that the Rev. F. J. Ruppert, R.C., pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in this city, had yielded his life to the cold while trying to take oranges, apples and Christmas greetings cards to the Hot Springs orphanage, near the Pilgrim River, north of here.

Over Father Ruppert's body when it was found eight days ago on the bank of the river four miles from the orphanage, stood Mink, the leader of his dog team. Mink ferociously repelled those who came to carry his dead master to the orphanage, and had to be captured first.

Search Commenced  
Search for Father Ruppert had been started when one dog appeared at Iron Creek, 15 miles from Hot Springs, soon after another arrived at the orphanage. Father Ruppert, who won the love of the north by the way he worked for others without thought for himself in his infirmity, had been on his way to the orphanage, which he had visited several times in the past several years ago, was buried Wednesday at the orphanage.

Frightened Team

Carrying his Christmas cheer for 50 persons, including Sisters and Brothers of the orphanage at the situation, Father Ruppert was continuing his journey alone from Hot Springs, when he was overtaken by O'Connor's Roadhouse, which is on the route to Hot Springs from Nome. It is believed that reindeer frightened his team and caused the dogs to scatter.

Indications on the trail were that Father Ruppert had followed the route to the orphanage, and that after his dogs broke apart, and that growing weary, he left the stormy trail six miles from the orphanage and went into the bush to the Pilgrim River. A temperature of 39 below zero was prevailing in that region. Father Ruppert seemed to have been down to rest. He had taken off his parka, or fur hood, folded it neatly, and clasped it between his body and one of his arms.

## SUGGEST STUDY OF DOMINIONS' AFFAIRS

British Board of Education Impresses on Old Country Value of the Forthcoming Exhibition

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Board of Education has circulated the local educational authorities drawing their attention to the educational possibilities of the British Empire Exhibition. The Board is prepared to meet on occasion organized visits to the exhibition by pupils under the guidance of their teachers, and at present is considering the question of recognizing the expenditure in connection therewith. The Board of Education suggests the substitution of an intensive course of study in the history, geography and civility of the British Commonwealth for the usual history and geography studies by the older children during the next two terms.

## Mayorally Candidates In Toronto Reduced

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—Toronto's list of mayorally candidates has been reduced to five. Controller Singer and H. C. Hocken, M.P., having withdrawn, leaving the field to Controller Hiltz, T. L. Church, M.P., and J. A. Curtis, M.L.A. Fifty-three candidates are in the running for the twenty-four aldermanic positions in the eight wards.

## Glycerine Mixture Surprises Victoria

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## NEW POINT TO AN OLD JOKE

(The Labor Party proposes a capital levy; but it is to begin at a fortune exceeding \$4,000.)  
John Bull: "If you had a million pounds, would you share it with me?"  
Ramsay MacDonald: "Rather!"  
John Bull: "And if you had a hundred thousand pounds, would you share it with me?"  
Ramsay MacDonald: "Of course!"  
John Bull: "Would you share a pig like that one with me?"  
Ramsay MacDonald: "No! you see, I'm hoping to have a pig like that of my own one day."

## REDUCED PRICE OF OBLIVION IS TIMELY ON CHRISTMAS EVE

A clear gain of \$55, and a sort of Christmas box in that sum, was the prize of a defendant in the police court yesterday, who had the distinction of being the first person fined for excessive use of alcohol since the Liquor Licensing Act was amended by reducing the fine for a first offence from \$50 to \$25.

"It was caught of pure oblivion the defendant had taken, and none seemed more surprised than he to hear what Police Constable Hutchinson had to tell of it.

"I can't remember anything about it, Your Honor," said the defendant, "but if that's how the constable found me, I must sure be guilty."

The constable found the defendant sleeping on the floor of an auction room, opposite to the Government liquor store, on Johnson Street.

"He fell through the window, and he just lay down and went to sleep," said the officer. "There was broken glass all round him."

"Not far from the base of supplies," commented the court, hearing that the place was opposite the liquor store.

## DEFEATED CANDIDATE ASKS FOR INQUIRY

Mr. L. D. Taylor Writes to Attorney-General Concerning Plugging at Vancouver Election

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—Enclosing a copy of the letter to J. Mulholland, in which he states that at the recent civic election he voted no less than 84 times, ex-Mayor Taylor, defeated candidate for mayor, has written Hon. A. M. Manson, pointing out the seriousness of the statements made by Mulholland and contending that it is the duty of the Attorney-General's department to at once institute a thorough inquiry into the matter.

"It is the duty of the Attorney-General's department to institute a thorough inquiry into the whole matter," declared Mr. Taylor. "There is no reason why I should be called upon to put up a deposit of \$500, if a wrong has been committed, then it is up to the Attorney-General to see that the law is enforced and that the public is protected not only the candidates but also the public."

## BABIES' TIMELY RESCUE

Two Children of Destitute Family Are Saved From Burning House in Seattle

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—Two babies were saved from death after one had been partly overcome by smoke, when fire today destroyed the one-story house occupied by A. N. Baker, 7256 24th. Mrs. Baker, mother and father, are in destitute circumstances. Mrs. Baker, mother of the babies and a third child ill at the present time in the city hospital, had just left the house this morning to borrow a hammer. When she returned from the neighbor's house her home was afire, and a neighbor had just rescued the babies, two and three years old, respectively. The younger child, found under a bed, was partially overcome by smoke.

## Premier Massey to Reach Ottawa Friday

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—Premier Massey, of New Zealand, is expected in Ottawa on Friday and will remain in the capital for a couple of days before leaving for the West.

It is understood that he will discuss trade questions informally with members of the government while here.

## Strike Benefits

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—The International Typographical Union has spent \$17,000,000 in benefits in furtherance of its strike for the forty-fourth week. It was announced today by William J. Gibbons, president of the local branch, who added that the 1,200 St. Louis members had handled \$1,000,000 of this amount. He said that the strike, which was begun in May, 1921, virtually has been won.

*We Wish You A Merry Christmas*

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**Tokio Hotel Burns**  
TOKIO, Dec. 24.—The Oriental Hotel at Kobe was partly destroyed by fire early this morning. All the guests are believed to have escaped. Many of them tied to safety in their sleeping armchairs.

**SIX-FOOT FLUNKIES GETTING SCARCE**  
American Millionaire Corner British Market for the Tall and Stately "Janes"

LONDON, Dec. 24.—England is experiencing a famine in six-foot flunkies. An advertisement in a newspaper on behalf of "a royal household," has brought only two applicants, and one of them was several inches short of six feet.

As is usually the case in Europe's shortcomings, America gets the blame. Employment agency managers explain that American millionaires and movie directors snap up the best of England's footmen and take them off to the United States.

Wealthy Americans, it is said, ransom the baronial halls of England to find attendants of proper mien and dignity.

Another explanation of the shortage is many of the tall men of yesterday now adorn the front entrances of English movie theatres, arrayed in uniforms of splendor.

**Snow Slides In France Injurious**  
PARIS, Dec. 24.—Avalanches were reported today from many points in Switzerland and in French territory bordering on Switzerland and in the Pyrenees. Three snowslides occurred within a few hours of each other, and did much damage to the open air clinics for lung patients, a number of the Sisters of Mercy being injured.

Last year the prize-ring turnover in New York State was \$5,000,000.

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**To You, Our Friends**

It is our cordial and sincere wish that your Christmas may be one of joy and thanksgiving, that the New Year may hold for you increased prosperity, and that our relations may be even closer than heretofore.

**Greetings!**

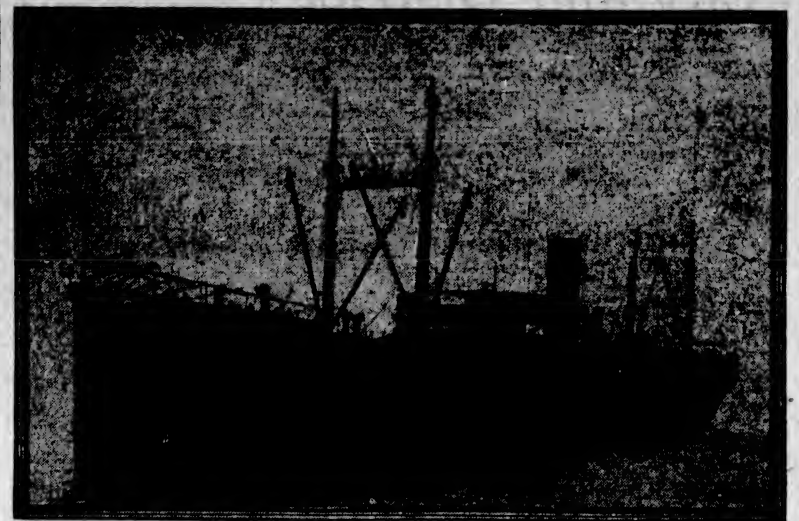
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### Helpless Steamer Driving Towards Washington Reefs



This Photograph Is of the Craftman, Sister Ship of the Author, the Harrison Line Steamer Which Early This Morning Was Driving Towards Destruction South of Flatley, While the Canadian Life-Saving Steamer Givency Steamed Desperately From Battle to Her Help.

### GRAMOPHONE ADDS TO SCHOOL FETE

Final Day of Term Is Memorable for Children—Christmas Music Peals Forth

In most of the schools, and in nearly, if not all, those for the little children, the last day of the summer term is the happiest school day of all the year. This is not solely because the children are looking forward to a fortnight's holiday, but because the joyous, generous spirit of Christmas fills all hearts. For many days the children have been busy preparing simple gifts for their parents. They receive presents from many of their teachers, and some of them bestow some little token of love and appreciation on these big friends. Even where circumstances prevent the bestowal of the smallest present, kind looks and sweet smiles light up every face.

At Kingston Street School on Friday morning, many busy mothers left their household tasks to listen to a little entertainment prepared during the short days of the month of December. In the largest room of the school, boys and girls between the ages of six and nine or ten filed into their seats to a march played by the gramophone. When the sound of little feet had ceased and the slight bustle of seating was over, the principal, Miss E. G. Lawson, said that a kind friend had sent some records as a Christmas gift to the whole school, and bade them be very still that they might hear one which told the Christmas story.

Child Singers Please  
The children themselves followed with a number of beautiful carols. To grown-ups it seemed marvelous that such tiny tots should have so perfectly committed the words as well as the melody to memory. "Good King Wenceslaus," the universal favorite, was among those sung, two little girls taking the part of monarch and page.

There were songs and recitations prepared by the class for the entertainment of all. Many of these showed talent as well as humor. Then the gramophone played the nursery rhymes. As the familiar stories followed one another, the delight of the children would have pleased the kind donor.

A Christmas tree, bearing cards stood in the corner of the room, and the children had placed on the board with bright drawings that spoke of the season.

To crown all, Santa Claus, and an assistant appeared, carrying big baskets filled with cornucopias of candy, and amid many exclamations and much laughter, these were distributed to all present, while absentees were remembered also. The children had themselves made the pretty containers, although they did not know the use to which they would be put.

When "Merry Christmas" had been given and returned, "Canada," and "God Save the King," sung, the school dispersed, one and another pausing to offer a visitor a share of the sweets. The children returned to their accustomed seats to receive the cards with which Miss Fox had covered their tree. Then the rambling building was quiet, while in more than a hundred homes the eager children showed the gifts they had made and offered those they had made.

### Derailment Causes Blockade On C.N.R.

LINDSAY, Dec. 24.—A bad derailment, one freight car, baggage car, two coaches and the mail car on the C.N.R. Haliburton train took place tonight, two miles south of Haliburton. Conductor Shaw, Lindsay, was slightly injured; Conductor Craighead, a passenger on the train, was badly shaken up, while four others received injuries, none of them serious. Passenger coaches and the baggage car, after turning on their sides, caught fire and were destroyed. Engineer King, of Lindsay, and his fireman were injured. Traffic is badly blocked, causing a serious delay in traffic.

### Armed Police Charge And Disperse Mob

DETROIT, Dec. 24.—Six policemen with pistols charged a mob of about 2,000 persons, said to be members of the Ku Klux Klan, and kicked a blazing cross from the steps of the Wayne County Building early today. The police finally dispersed the mob. No one was reported seriously injured, although a number of persons suffered minor bruises.

Make reservations early for Christmas Dinner at Stratheona Hotel, \$1.00, 12-2 and 5:20-8.

### Department Store Exceeds Previous Selling Records

THAT the Hudson's Bay Company store here had transacted on Saturday last more business, with one exception, than it had done on any single day since the building was opened two and a half years ago, was the statement made to The Colonist last night by Mr. A. J. Watson, manager of the local Hudson's Bay Company establishment. The Hudson's Bay Company store has been crowded during the past week and right up until closing time last night, most people having visited it during the Christmas shopping season this year than last.

### NO PAPER TOMORROW

This being Christmas Day, The Colonist will not be published tomorrow.

### To Administer Estate Of Late Col. J. C. Mason

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—Administration of the estate of Lieutenant Colonel James Cooper Mason, D.S.O., general manager of the Home Bank, who died in Toronto, August 6, has been granted here without inventory as to the value of his estate. By will, executed March 3 last, the deceased named his widow, Mrs. Florence Mason, sole beneficiary, and Mrs. Mason and the Chartered Trust and Executor Company, executors. In an affidavit filed by the Surrogate Court, the administrator states that at the present time the assets and liabilities of the estate cannot be determined.

### OBITUARIES

COLBOURNE.—The death took place at St. Joseph's Hospital on Sunday of Mrs. Sarah Colbourne, at the age of 83 years. She resided at a native of Newfoundland and came to this country five years ago, since when she had made her home with her son, Thomas Colbourne, at Ralph Street, Saanich. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Philpot, of Douglas Street; Mrs. Brown, of St. John, New Brunswick, and Mrs. Robbins, of Newfoundland; also two sons, John, captain on a C.N.R. boat running out of Vancouver, and Thomas, at Saanich. The funeral will take place on Wednesday, at 2 o'clock, from McCall Bros' Funeral Chapel, interment taking place at Ross Bay Cemetery.

HILLIER.—The death took place on Sunday morning, at the family residence, 829 Springfield Street, of Mrs. Margaret Hillier, aged sixty years; born in Newcastle, England, and a resident of this city for the past fourteen years. The deceased is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. N. Forde, of 797 Wilson Street, and Mrs. J. Halloran, of Nanaimo; five sons, William Hillier, of Cook City, Montana; John Hillier, of 144 Langford Street; Frank Hillier, of 1156 May Street; Charles and Roy Hillier, at home; also two brothers, John Jones, of Montana, and George Jones, of Eureka, California, and two sisters, Mrs. Rebecca Vanderville, of Cook City, Montana, and Mrs. K. Hoke, of New York. There are also twelve grandchildren and one great-grandchild. The funeral will take place tomorrow, the cortege leaving the Sands Funeral Chapel at 1:35 o'clock, and five minutes later services will be conducted at St. John's Church by Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick. The remains will be laid to rest at Ross Bay Cemetery.

WALKER.—Service over the remains of the late Mr. Walter Walker was conducted yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in the chapel of the B.C. Funeral Co., by the Rev. Dr. Wilson. There was a large attendance of friends, including a delegation from the I.O.O.F. The school board attended, and also representatives of the City Council, and many beautiful floral tributes covered the casket and hearse. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Messrs. J. Fullerton, W. H. Dempster, A. Stewart, John Dean, G. McGregor and D. A. Fraser. The remains were laid to rest in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

ARTHUR.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Hewison Arthur took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 from the B.C. Funeral Chapel, where service was held by the Rev. Dean Quinlan. Several friends attended, and the casket was covered with floral offerings. Interment was made at Royal Oak Burial Park, and the casket was carried to its last resting-place by relatives of the deceased.

The most geologically unsettled part of the earth's surface is the western shore of the Pacific Ocean.

### THREE DROWN WHEN TUGBOAT FOUNDERS

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to the door of Parker's ranch, not far from Rocky Point. When Parker opened the door in response to Pike's feeble knock, he saw the engineer sink to the ground, his strength at last ebb. He was just in time to catch the words that told him the bare facts of the story before the engineers lapsed into unconsciousness.

Swam Half a Mile  
Pike had taken two hours to cover a distance of half a mile!

About thirty minutes later, Warder, too, reached the ranch, just as Pike was beginning to revive. It was a thrilling tale that the two men poured into the ears of Parker.

Battered and pounded by the heavy sea of the gale, the Tye put into Pedder Bay for shelter. But Pedder Bay offers no shelter from a gale from the southeast. Fully aware of their danger, the crew made shift to prepare for the launching of the single lifeboat on the after deck.

With huge waves breaking completely over them from time to time, this was hardly accomplished when the doomed craft sank beneath their very feet, flailing over to starboard, and carrying the captain with her, imprisoned in his pilot house.

Alone on the huge waves, with four men aboard her, the life boat was tossed about like a corkie shell for a moment or so and then was capsize by a huge comb.

Clung to Boat  
For a while the four men clung desperately to the boat; but soon Davis' clutch was broken and he was swept away to his death. A little later the cook was torn from his hold on the upturned boat and he, too, disappeared. Pike and Warder were helpless to help them. Next Pike lost his grip. He, however, struck out for shore and made it. Then Warder suffered the same experience, and he, too, began a grim fight with the elements for shore and safety.

Pike reached the rocks some time before his companion, and, when he reached Parker's ranch, was under the impression that he was the sole survivor. Warder lay some time on the shore to recoup his strength before seeking assistance.

When the operator at Rocky Point heard the news from Parker, she immediately telephoned Mr. William Der, district superintendent of Government telegraphs, who dispatched a car for the two men.

### BRITISH STEAMER SENDS DISTRESS CALL

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Emden in the Indian Ocean in 1917, being the last carrier to be taken by the Emden before the pirate was sent to the bottom at Cocos Island, Germany loaded her with the crews of other captured vessels, and sent her on her way with them to the nearest port. In the following year the Author was struck by a torpedo in the English Channel, but by marvelous good luck escaped unharm, striking. The point of impact was plainly visible on the ship's side when she was here two years ago. Braving the fury of the elements,

### Soviet Attempt At Abolishing Christmas Fails

MOSCOW, Dec. 24.—The public campaign to discredit the time-honored Christmas celebration, which last year took the form of anti-religious demonstrations and much services outside the churches by the young Communists, was abandoned this year.

**Merry Xmas!**

—and cordial good wishes for your prosperity in the New Year

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Never the Twain Shall Meet, by Kynne.  
Emily of the New Moon, by the author of Anne of Green Gables.  
The Desert Healer, by the author of The Skeik.  
The Garden of the Gods, by Suckpool.  
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**BICYCLE SALE**

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2 Bicycles at	\$14.50	Several Small Boys' Bicycles	
6 Bicycles at	\$22.50	Cheap	
3 Bicycles at	\$12.50	Several Small Girls' Bicycles	
4 Bicycles at	\$16.75	Cheap	

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We Wish You All a Merry Christmas and A Prosperous New Year

**Murphy Electric Co.**  
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Holidays at Vancouver  
VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—Closing at the end of a prosperous pre-holiday shopping season tonight, Vancouver's shopping district declared a two-day holiday tonight in honor of the greatest of holidays. Shops will not reopen until Thursday morning.

It's Just the Same Old Wish and Just the Same Old Thought

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND PEACE ON EARTH**

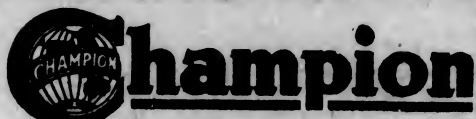
The spirit of Christmas gives us a keener appreciation of old associations and the value of new friends.

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ounces of really better cough syrup  
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save easily 82%. Tastes pleasant and  
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and gives almost immediate relief.  
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membranes so gently and easily  
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croup, hoarseness and bronchial asthma,  
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pine extract, and has been used for  
generations to break up severe coughs.  
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with full directions, and don't accept  
anything else. Guaranteed to give  
absolute satisfaction or money  
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Crowds fill the air with germs.  
The city's dust, by irritating the  
throat, causes them to develop.  
This is the beginning of sore  
throats. Protect your throat  
with Formamint. All druggists.

**Formamint**  
To avoid infection, dissolve a  
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LETHBRIDGE, Dec. 24.—Word  
has been received of the death of  
George G. Anderson, consulting ir-  
rigation engineer, who built the Leth-  
bridge irrigation system of the C.P.R.  
here over twenty years ago.

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## City and District

**Sanish Bazaar**—Arrangements have  
been made to provide the usual Sun-  
day service of bazaar on Lake Hill.  
Quebec route on Christmas and New  
Year's Day.

**Held Lucky Ticket**—Miss Knott, of  
Balmorhea Road, was the lucky holder  
of the ticket which drew the doll  
dressed by the Ladies' Club of the  
Victoria Fire Department.

**English Mail Arrives**—Nineteen  
bags of letters arrived in Victoria on  
Saturday afternoon, having left  
Liverpool on December 8. The post-  
office authorities here expect that  
this season of the year the delivery  
has been remarkably quick.

**Ward Two Ratepayers**—A meeting  
of Ward Two Ratepayers' Association  
of Sanish will be held next Friday  
evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, in  
the Cloverdale school, Quays Street.  
Nominations for municipal offices will  
be considered, and Councillor Mac-  
nicol will address the meeting on the  
work of the Council during the current  
year.

**Guild of Health**—Notice is given of  
the annual meeting of the Guild of  
Health, to be held in the schoolroom,  
Christ Church Cathedral, on Thurs-  
day, January 18. The chair will be  
taken by the Dean of Columbia, and  
addresses will be given by the director,  
Rev. T. E. Howe and also by the  
Rev. R. E. Pritchard, late of St.  
Cuthbert's Church, Winnipeg.

**English Christmas Party**—The  
Royal Society of St. George has  
arranged for a real English Christmas  
party, to be held on Thursday at 8  
p.m., in Christ Church schoolroom.  
There will be games, musical items,  
and refreshments. An invitation is  
extended not only to members of the  
society, but also visitors and all who  
can find it convenient to attend.

**Christmas Day at St. John's**—  
There will be holy communion at 7:15  
and 8 a.m. at St. John's Church to-  
day, and at 11 a.m. morning prayer  
and holy communion. At 3 o'clock  
service, the Rev. F.

### Hockey Club Is Host At Pleasant Function

GANGES HARBOR, Dec. 24.—The  
Salt Spring Island Hockey Club held  
a delightful military whist drive and  
dance at Harbor House, Ganges. Over  
fifty guests were present. This was  
the first entertainment of the kind  
extended to members of the club, and  
it proved most enjoyable. Mr. T. F.  
Speed was master of ceremonies.  
Thirteen tables took part in the game,  
and one table cut out and finished.  
One table cut out and finished. One  
played a hand, the result being that  
Mrs. Frank Crofton, Miss Beryl Scott,  
Mr. H. O. Allen and Mr. Weatherall  
were winners, and received prizes  
from Mrs. Speed. The room was  
very prettily decorated for  
Christmas with holly, bells, etc. After  
the program was finished, supper  
was served in the drawing-room, and  
the card room prepared for the dance  
which followed. Among the guests  
present were: Dr. Sutherland, Mr.  
and Mrs. E. Crofton, Mr. and Mrs.  
F. L. Scott, Mrs. Beech, Mr. and Mrs.  
Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank  
Crofton, Mrs. V. C. Best, Mr. and  
Mrs. B. Cartwright, Mrs. D. S. Harris,  
Mr. and Mrs. Lowther, Mrs. Bruce Irving,  
Mrs. Fender, Mr. H. A. Robinson,  
Miss Scott, Miss Aitkens, Mr. Ainslie,  
Mr. McAfee, Mr. J. Rogers, Miss  
Elliott, Miss Lang, Mr. H. Price,  
Mr. D. C. Roberts, Mrs. H. Harris,  
Miss D. Taylor, Miss D. Crofton,  
Mr. J. Abbott, Mr. T. Abbott, Mr.  
Bermot Crofton, Mr. King, Mr. West,  
Mr. Casperson, Mr. Shove, Mr. Pal-  
mer, Messrs. S. and C. Wager, Mr.  
Demond Crofton, Mrs. Grainger, and  
several others.

### Raisuli Is Alive Reports to Contrary Notwithstanding

TANGIER, Dec. 24.—It is officially  
stated that, contrary to the report of  
his death, Raisuli, the Moroccan bandit  
leader, is still alive and in an improved  
condition.

encompass some situations which  
arose. There was the case of the  
tired floorwalker of one well-known  
store. The lady customer had seen  
a little box in the inaccessible corner  
of a window still crowded to the limit  
with the elaborately designed show  
of goods. It was the only box which  
would just do the right thing as a  
container for a certain present to be  
given on the morrow. It was a dan-  
gerous and difficult matter to re-  
trieve the little box from that far  
corner of the window; and by the  
time a sort of fishing line had been  
extemporized, and the elusive and  
desirable little box had been hooked,  
the tired floorwalker had spent just  
50 minutes on the job. And then it  
was found that the little box was too  
heavy for the purpose. It was a  
tragic moment; but the spirit of  
Christmas Eve redeemed it from  
bitterness; and tired floorwalker and  
disappointed customer found them-  
selves wishing each other a Happy  
Christmas over it.

### VICTORIA MARKS CHRISTMAS EVE

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day yesterday, and until a late hour  
of the evening, there was no ground  
for the theory that Victoria had lately  
sustained a real diminution of her  
population.

Still more remarkable, perhaps,  
was the press of motor cars in the  
central district. Parking space was  
hard to find anywhere, and the  
strict letter of municipal regulation  
was not lived up to in every instance,  
and a little shame, was scraped from  
mudguards here and there, everyone  
was in the Christmas mood, and no-  
body worried about trifles which, on  
other days, would have evoked that  
tremendous indignation which is the  
peculiar possession of the motor car  
owner.

It was to be noted during the  
busiest hour of the evening, when  
Victoria had dined and had come  
down to take a last Christmas  
Eve look at itself, that motorists who  
had not early secured a place in their  
parking places formed part of a vehicle  
procession, which passed in a well-  
defined route. One regulation which  
was strictly observed was that against  
excessive speed. There was no op-  
portunity for that.

It was a busy evening, also, for the  
B.C. Electric Railway Company, whose  
cars, crowded all day, did extra  
duty between six and nine  
o'clock. Most of Victoria, in fact,  
seemed to have left the cat and dog  
to keep house for the evening; and  
there seemed to be some implicit  
agreement by which it was arranged  
that children could visit the movies  
while certain secret transactions were  
consummated by elder members of  
the family in toyland.

The last-minute shopper hid his  
and her desperation beneath a well-  
feigned assumption that there was  
only one time for Christmas present-  
buying, and that was the eleventh  
hour. Even Christmas cards were in  
great demand. The voice of the  
cynic who suggested that Christmas  
cards were in demand at that hour  
because Christmas cards had just  
been received from friends forgotten or  
overlooked was hushed when he ob-  
served that this was a matter which  
finally broke down further delay. And  
further, when fathers and mothers of  
families who staggered, tired but  
triumphant, beneath a load of parcels  
which would have gladdened the  
heart and broken the back of Santa  
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A. F. Chadwick, will give a Christmas  
message, and special music will be  
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City Women's Institute and Men's  
Institute held their fortnightly card  
party in the Marjold Hall, on Friday  
evening, a most enjoyable evening  
being spent. The winners are as fol-  
lows: Ladies' first prize, Mrs. Dawson;  
gent's first prize, Mr. Alexander; con-  
solation prizes, Mrs. Lynn and Mr.  
Goldie. A five hundred drive will be  
held on Friday, Jan. 4.

**Donation to Firemen**—The mem-  
bers of the fire department have re-  
ceived from the firm of Pither Law-  
ser, Ltd., the generous donation of  
\$200 in recognition of the excellent  
work of the department at the time  
of the fire in the premises occupied  
by the Provincial Liquor Board as a  
warehouse. The sum was sent to  
Chief Vernon Stewart, and has been  
placed in the firemen's fund.

**Sentenced to Jail**—Charles Messen-  
ger, convicted before Magistrate Jay  
yesterday of stealing seven dollars  
from the person of C. M. Hemstreet,  
a local barber, was sentenced to serve  
three months in jail. The accused  
pleaded that he had stolen the money,  
but the court did not think the com-  
plaint could possibly have been in-  
vented, and a circumstantial story of being  
followed into John Ross Street by Mes-  
senger from the Golden Gate Cafe,  
and of being grabbed and robbed of his  
pocketbook.

**Assault Charge Remanded**—James  
Gusby, charged with the assault of  
Norman Scott, and against whom it  
is alleged that he pushed the com-  
plainant off the Canadian Pines Sound  
sawmill wharf last Saturday, was fur-  
ther remanded yesterday on request  
of his counsel, Mr. R. C. Lowe, who  
said he had been instructed to ap-  
pear since the accused was remanded  
yesterday. Magistrate Jay, allud-  
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defendant in court on his first ap-  
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STORMS  
The barometer is falling rapidly in ad-  
vance of an ocean storm, which will cause  
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### ROYAL FAMILY REUNION HELD AT SANDRINGHAM

Queen Alexandra, Though  
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LONDON, Dec. 24.—The  
peace that mankind knew  
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tonight to make a Merry  
Christmas for the subjects of King  
George.

What the far-away peoples are do-  
ing or not doing—these things matter  
not to the average Englishman from  
tea time this evening until the country  
starts slowly back to work Thursday  
morning. From now until then, news  
is nothing and happiness at home is  
everything to those who inhabit this  
mystic, chilly chip of the old block of  
Europe.

For the next two days Britain will  
live by turkey and not by trade or  
treasure; plum pudding and port will  
soothe the tongue that only a few  
days ago talked hotly about protec-  
tion. Many a wassail bowl and loving  
cup will be lifted and many a mug of  
ale drunk down, not to mention wee  
doch an' doris, the standby of Scot-  
land and England alike.

There will be no newspapers, and  
from mid-afternoon onward no trams  
or buses to break the Christmas quiet  
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W. F. Freeman, giving appropriate  
messages.

Music for the day was in charge  
of the chorister, F. L. Tupman. Two  
anthems were rendered by the choir.  
"Adeste Fideles" (Novello) and  
"Break Forth Into Joy" (Harris). The  
solo parts being taken by the Misses  
C. Strickland and K. Bradshaw. Mr.  
J. W. Buckler sang "Anthem Cele-  
stial" (Joseph Adams) and "The Star  
of Bethlehem" (Stephen Adams) was  
given by F. L. Tupman. The plat-  
form and auditorium of the church  
were very beautifully decorated with  
ivy, holly, cedar festoons, flowering  
plants and chrysanthemums.

A pleasing feature was the giving  
to each attendant at the morning ser-  
vice of a dainty beribboned holly but-  
toniere, for which the house and  
decorating committee of the women's  
union of the church was responsible.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS





## TELLS HOW NORTH BEING DEVELOPED

REVIEW IS GIVEN BY PRINCE RUPERT EDITOR

Mr. H. F. Pullen, former Victorian, says mining and lumbering making good strides

There has been no unusual activity in Prince Rupert during the year now closing, but the country around has been developing fast, especially in the mining and lumbering industries. Fishing also has kept up well and there has been no indication of lack of supply as is seen in the Fraser River. Farming has about held its own with a slight falling off in some districts and gains in others. That is the information brought from the north by H. F. Pullen, editor of The Prince Rupert Daily News, who is here to spend the Christmas holidays with his family. Going more into detail, he said:

"Mining has been active in the north during the year and that activity is continuing, even during the winter. There are two zones of activity, that in and around Portland Canal on the coast and the Bulkley Valley in the interior. In the former the Premier Mine is still a centre of interest. It is producing steadily, but much of the ore now has to be concentrated before being sent to the smelter. This is done at the mine and the concentrates shipped to salt water by aerial tram. Surrounding the Premier are a lot of good prospects, some of which may almost be classed as mines. A lot of development work has been done on them and the showings indicate that the district will continue to produce shipping ore long after the Premier is worked out. Transportation is one of the chief difficulties, it being very expensive to build either roads or tramways in that rough country. The snowfall is very deep and interferes considerably with operations.

Up the Bear River not far from Stewart are also a number of properties which are being worked during the winter and which promise to justify the faith of those who have staked by the camp from the first.

**Shipping to Anxox**  
At Maple Bay, not far from Stewart, shipping is just commencing. Snow is melting and sixty men are employed at the mine, thirty producing ore and the other thirty on development work. This property belongs to the Granby Company and will be a steady shipper during the coming year. The ore is conveyed to salt water by aerial tram. Owing to the fact that there is no company promotion or stock selling going on at this point little has been heard of the development of the mine.

Of the interior mines the Duthie properties on Hudson Bay Mountain, near Smithers, have been shipping all summer, but during the autumn the conditions of the roads prevented ore being got out from the mine to the railway. The coming of snow will allow resumption of activities. The ore is shipped through Prince Rupert to the smelter at Selby, California. The mine is a subsidiary to the Federal Mining & Smelting Co., one of the Ogeheim companies. Another promising property controlled by the

same concern is the Dome Mountain property near Telkwa. Active development is being carried on there during the winter, a number of men being employed.

Another interesting development in the Telkwa district is the operation of the Betty coal mine by Jack McNeil, merchant, farmer and mine owner of Telkwa. The mine is owned chiefly by Prince Rupert men, but Mr. McNeil has control at present and is selling most of the coal at points along the railway. The first shipments arrived in Prince Rupert recently and are said to have proved satisfactory. It is a hard coal and is generally spoken of as semi-anthracite.

There is a lot of work being done in mining throughout the district, the Duthie interests since disposing of control in the mine at Hudson Bay Mountain having acquired several other promising properties for development. One of these is near Doreen on the G.T.P. Railway and work has already been started on it.

**Lumbering Operations**  
Lumbering operations are being continued throughout the winter at different points in the north. At Massett Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands, the Buckley mill is still operating two shifts a day and making regular shipments of lumber and saws to Los Angeles and will continue unless the supply of logs gives out.

Logging camps are continuing to operate at Alice Arm, and the Granby Company is putting in a new camp there to get logs for the reopening of their mill, which has been closed down for a number of years and which it is announced is to operate during the coming spring.

In the interior a number of mills are cutting lumber, some of which is shipped to the prairies and hemlock bays afloat to Prince Rupert for transshipment to Japan.

On the whole the outlook for the coming year is very bright. The big mill at Prince Rupert, it has been announced, is to operate and there will be general activity in the spring.

The halibut season has been a good one, the fresh halibut marketed through the fish exchange at Prince Rupert this year having broken all records. Last year something like 25,000,000 pounds was marketed there, and this year the amount is already greater than that.

Much is expected from the new settlement policy of the railway company on the lands of the Bulkley and Nechaco valleys, and also up the Skeena River. The outlook is much brighter than it was a year ago, and Prince Rupert will, of course, benefit by all the activities.

## Torontonians Enjoy Old Fashioned Christmas

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—Commencing early Sunday morning, snow fell throughout the southern counties of Ontario and by evening, when the weather cleared, the ground was covered with a mantle of white. The temperature dropped below the freezing point later in the evening and lovers of old-fashioned Christmas took heart despite the fact that the Dominion meteorological office report indicated little change in temperature.

## CROWDS FLOCK TO SCHOOL CLOSING

Hall Unable to Accommodate All Those Seeking Admission. Tonic Christmas Entertainment

The Christmas school closing concert given by the pupils of Tonic School are deservedly becoming more popular as the years go by, and as a result St. Mark's Hall on Thursday night was only sufficiently capacious to admit a fraction of those desirous to enjoy the entertainment. Reeve Watson very kindly consented to preside, and, owing to his careful management, the programme, a long one, was gone through in good time.

A part song, "Merry Christmas Bells," opened the proceedings. This, a three-part song, and an entrancing item, "The Glowworm Dance," were supplied from the First Division. To Miss Watson much credit is due for the excellence of this dance.

The Second Division gave an amusing representation of "The Minstrel Song," which was much enjoyed. This class, Miss Beane's, also represented in tableaux vivants well-known songs, including "Peggy O'Neil's Bubbles," "O Canada," and "School Days." A charming and original play illustrative of the true spirit of the season, entitled, "Christmas Secrets," was presented by the Third Division, Mr. Brandon's, aided by Miss MacKinnon's pupils of the Eighth Division. William MacKinnon made a realistic Santa. The surprise feature was the emergence of a dainty fairy from the Christmas pie. A Christmas carol, sung by Miss Watson's pupils, was very effective closing to this enjoyable scene.

**Spanish Scene**  
A Spanish scene, portrayed by eight girls from Division Four, Miss Harman's, would have done credit to performers of much maturer years. It consisted of two charming songs, and a vivacious dance. This division also contributed in good style "The Cobbler's Song" from "Chu Chin Chow."

The Fifth Division, Miss Corbett's class, upheld its honor in furnishing a splendid representation of a baby show. Close on twenty little girls, arrayed in motherly garb, proved perfect patterns of maternal pride and affection; and one of the boys, Raymond Hanning, tactfully played the part of judge. The amusing incidents were much enjoyed, and the hearty applause accorded showed this was one of the most acceptable items on the programme.

Six little girls of the Sixth Division, Miss Watson's, daintily dressed as butterflies, showed skillful training in the "Butterfly Dance." From the moment they took wing until they sank to rest again, all eyes were riveted on their graceful movements. A horde of Indian warriors in their war paint, armed with tomahawks, bows, and spears, winding through the tortuous and exciting drill, punctuated by shrill war cries, was cleverly represented by boys of this division.

**"Father Time's Reception"**  
Miss Shampney's class, the Seventh Division, gave a playlet, "Father Time's Reception." The little players spoke their parts cleverly, and with expression, and gave much pleasure to the audience, who

generously applauded their juvenile efforts.

Ronald Maycock, of Division Eight, and Ruby Davidson, also of this class, recited nicely amusing pieces, entitled, respectively, "Three Bad Little Boys" and "A Timely Pointer." Phoebe Riddle also contributed a recitation in a style which evinced taste under careful supervision.

Muriel Hpy and Albert Price, two youthful pianists, each played a solo acceptably.

## AUTOMOBILE SERVICE ARRANGED FOR YEAR

Victoria Branch of B.C. Association to Get Together in January

Mr. F. J. Furnival, of Vancouver, manager of the B.C. Automobile Association, was in the city during the last few days, and a meeting of the directors and some of the members of the Victoria branch was held. It has been arranged to hold a general meeting of the Victoria branch of the association early in January, at which officers for the ensuing year will be elected and a representative appointed to sit on the Provincial directors.

The secretarial duties of the local branch have devolved upon T. B. Monk & Co., 807-8 B.C. Permanent Loan Building, who will be pleased to meet local members and furnish them with any information required from time to time. Service to members, such as service car furnished during the last season, has been arranged with Messrs. Pitzer & Bond, day phone 7444, night phone 738871. The members are requested to make note of these numbers. Towing privileges at reduced rates have been arranged. Similar arrangements are in force at Colwood, Cobble Hill, Duncan, Ladysmith, Nanaimo, Parksville, Port Alberni, Courtenay, and Cumberland. The free service furnished members when on the mainland, and the service on the highway between Vancouver and Blaine, on Sundays and holidays, show that the B.C. Automobile Association has kept its contract with its members.

## LAD BLIND, DEAF DUMB, WRITES OUT CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO MINISTER

Hon. Dr. MacLean, Minister of Education, has received through the mail a Christmas greeting from an inmate of the school for the deaf and blind. The boy who sent the message labors under the disabilities of being blind, deaf and dumb. The message, in spite of this, is a very carefully typewritten letter, which, a note from the teacher says, was done by the pupil without assistance.

Dr. MacLean, who is personally acquainted with the boy, says that he is now learning to speak, and is doing so by the acute sense of touch that he possesses. He is able to tell what his teacher is saying by placing his fingers on the lips and on the throat as to detect the working of the vocal organs. It is through this method that he is himself learning to articulate by imitation of the organs of the instructor.

## ARTISTS DISPATCH CHRISTMAS FOLDER

Studio of Interior Decoration, David Spencer, Ltd., Sends Seasonable Greetings to Clients

In accordance with the policy of previous years, the Studio of Interior Decoration, David Spencer, Ltd., has issued another Christmas folder to its extensive clientele in Canada and the United States.

This folder, which is the work of one of the studio designers, is most attractive, and undoubtedly surpasses in artistic merit the productions of former years. This is in accordance with the studio's endeavor, which is to achieve a higher standard of excellence year by year. The entire work, with the exception of the papers used, was executed in Victoria, and it is greatly to the credit of this city that such a fine piece of craftsmanship should be an entirely local production.

**The Message**  
The folder consists of an outer cover which briefly outlines the aims of the studio. It says: "In presenting this 'A Corner of the Studio of Interior Decoration,' we again express to our many patrons, appreciation of the kindnesses extended to us during the year.

"We have had the pleasure of executing some of the finest work done in many of the most beautiful homes in British Columbia. We believe we are carrying out work hitherto never attempted in Canada, specializing in the designing of rugs, furniture, draperies, hand-made electric fixtures and hardware; we are importing genuine antique furniture, bric-a-brac, and authentic reproductions of every description. Special attention should be drawn to the general decorative work done by this studio. In every way it is the equal of such work done in Europe.

"May we invite all who are not acquainted with our work to visit us, and see or complete collection, many pieces of which are made in Victoria. We have pleasure in extending to you the compliments of the season."

Inserted in the picture to which reference is made above, so finished as to represent an etching; a truly remarkable piece of printing.

**Ruddlesten**

Mr. Edwin Ruddlesten is in charge of the studio, with Miss Doris Holmes assisting. They are always most pleased to welcome visitors.

## Released Interns Again In Toils

BELFAST, Dec. 24.—Members of the Ulster Loyalist Club and special officers raided yesterday a meeting in Londonderry and arrested 18 persons present, including a Nationalist election agent. Four of the prisoners had returned north recently from internment in the Free State. The homes of the captives were later searched. The raid is said to have been a sequel to a recent arrest and the capture of documents, and it is intimated that startling developments are expected. Those attending the meeting declared its object was to raise a fund for the defence of the men charged with the murder of Howard McKay during the 1920 riots.

## PRIZES PRESENTED AT MALVERN HOUSE

The closing exercises of Malvern House School, Burdette Avenue, held on Friday evening, were well attended by parents and friends of the pupils. The first part of the programme took the form of a concert, given entirely by the children of the school, and included recitations by Dorothy Fairclough, Josephine Cheffoux, Alex Dobbie, and Roney Fairclough; dances in costume by Aethia Curtis, and a series of tableaux under the direction of Joan Hamblin. Following this, the head master, Mr. Emerson, addressed the gathering and told how highly gratifying were the results of the first year's work; so much so, that the coming year would necessitate their seeking more commodious quarters. He then introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Gordon Shaw, who first presented the children with their term reports and prizes, then traced the history of Malvern House School in an interesting manner and exhorted the pupils to show devotion to high ideals and the building of character along with their school work. At the close of his address he presented the head of the school with a gift, which brought rounds of applause. Refreshments were then served, which, in turn, were followed by a well laden Christmas tree. Prizes were given as follows: Highest in all subjects, Josephine Cheffoux, by Mr. Emerson; French, Josephine Cheffoux, by Miss Bidwell; attendance, Aethia Curtis, by Mrs. Emerson.

## CONCERT AT PROSPECT LAKE DRAWS CROWD

Santa Claus Distributes Gifts After Children Appear in Enjoyable Programme

The Christmas concert of the Prospect Lake School was held on Thursday afternoon, when a large gathering of parents and friends enjoyed an excellent programme of recitations, dialogues, songs, and dances by the pupils. All of the twenty-five numbers were most pleasingly rendered, the "Balloons' Horripole," by the Misses Jennie Beckett and Eleanor Duncafe being especially beautiful, as was also the "Christmas Star Drill," by the senior girls, and the dialogue, "Uncle Hiram's Cold," by Jim Tracy and others was uproariously funny.

The children and the teachers were complimented by School Trustee C. Oldfield on their artistically painted Christmas programmes, as well as on the production of what all present agreed was a most successful entertainment.

Mrs. Lucas, superintendent of the Saanich Health Centre, explained the purpose of the "Little Mothers' League," and the general work of the Health Centre, and diplomas were awarded to a number of the girls competing in the last examination of the "Little Mothers' League," Mabel Cameron securing first and Georgina Pillar the second prize.

After refreshments were served Santa Claus appeared and distributed many gifts of the Christmas tree to the children.

This crowded gathering, in the schoolhouse, emphasized the need for a community hall at Prospect Lake. The hall should soon be secured, as a well-known oldtime resident, Mr. Trickey, has generously offered to donate the necessary land if the folks will get together and arrange for the building.

## YOUNG BIGAMIST GETS SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Judge Gives Effect to Representations of the Crown in Behalf of Duncan McKay

Duncan McKay, a young man, formerly resident at Fort Langley, pleaded guilty to bigamy before Judge Lammman yesterday, and was accorded the leniency of suspended sentence. Mr. H. J. Crane, appearing for the department of the Attorney-General, pointed out that the defendant had been nearly a month in custody, and in view of that and other circumstances, the court was asked to show mercy.

Elizabeth Sophia Georgeson, who went through a form of marriage with McKay in the Mayne Island Lighthouse in 1919, said that her motive in giving information against him was her desire to obtain annulment of the bigamous marriage, and she thought his arrest for bigamy was the only way to get it. Mr. Sydney Child appeared for Miss Georgeson, who obtained the arrest of McKay in Lacombe, Alberta, from which place he was brought here in custody.

Mrs. Josephine Gabrielle McKay, who was married to the defendant at Fort Langley in 1914, was present in court. In her behalf it was explained that she wanted to be reconciled with her husband, who, for his part, was willing to go back to her and her child.

In view of the representations of the Crown, said Judge Lammman, he was prepared to grant suspended sentence.

## ELECT NEW OFFICERS SAANICH INSTITUTE

Farmers' Organization Will Continue Crop Competitions for Berries and Potatoes

The eleventh annual meeting of the Institute was held at Keating on Thursday evening, December 20, there being a splendid attendance of members present. The officers elected to carry on the good work through 1924 were as follows: President, Mr. William D. Mitchell, of Keating; vice-president, Mr. Charles B. McCarthy, of Keating; secretary-treasurer, Mr. George Spencer, of Saanichton. All elections were unanimous. Directors: Messrs. George Stewart, Keating; Thomas F. Gold, Keating; B. C. Amey, Keating; W. W. Duncan, Sloggett; J. N. Wood, Royal Oak; Auditor, Mr. W. Ibbertson, Royal Oak.

Crop competitions, consisting of strawberries, potatoes (certified) and general crop and farm garden, are to be continued in 1924. A valuable prize is offered for the strawberry crop competition to members in good standing only.



# Social Events

## Cedar Hill Tennis Club

The Cedar Hill Tennis Club held its weekly card party (progressive whist) Thursday evening in the Parish Hall, when seventeen tables were engaged in play. The added attraction to the affair was the drawing of the tombola prizes, the first prize being a turkey, donated by Mr. E. Rendie, also a prize donated by Mr. Roberts. Following is the list of winners: First lady, Miss Douglas; first gent, Mr. G. Rendie; second gent, Mr. J. Tall; second lady, Miss E. Knapp and Mr. G. Hunter; special prizes—first, Mr. Tucker; second, Mrs. Carroll; third, Mr. W. Knapp. Next Thursday, military 500 is the programme for the evening. Three tombola prizes will be drawn for during the evening.

## Hosts at Dinner

Brigadier-General and Mrs. J. M. Ross entertained at dinner on Saturday evening at the Union Club to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of their wedding day. The table was charmingly arranged with Christmas decorations and the guests included His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Butchart, Mr. and Mrs. John Galt, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cole, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Goward, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Thomas, Mrs. Bullen.

## Closes Business Temporarily

The many friends and clients of Mr. J. E. Andrews, of the Andrews Realty Co., will regret to learn that on account of his continued ill health it is necessary to relinquish his business temporarily. Mr. Andrews has entered Reithaven Sanatorium for treatment.

## Daughter Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rideau, 533 Oswego Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Gladys Ethel,

## to Mr. A. T. G. Smith, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith, of this city. The marriage will take place January 9 at First Baptist Church.

Here for Holidays  
Miss Polly and Miss Fifi Luxton have returned to their home in this city for Christmas from St. Marina School, Vancouver, and are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Luxton, Rockland Avenue.

Visiting in Seattle  
Mrs. E. C. Hall, of 1241 Effingham Street, Esquimalt, and her daughter, Miss Margaret Hall, left on yesterday afternoon's boat for Seattle, where they will spend Christmas with the former's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. Jones.

## Guests of Mother

Mr. S. V. H. Redman, of Ryerson Theological College, Vancouver, and Mr. Reginald A. Redman, of Columbian College, New Westminster, are guests of their mother, Mrs. J. E. Redman, Leland Apartments, for the holiday season.

## Spending Christmas Here

Mrs. Durand, of Vancouver, is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ker, Linden Avenue, who also have as their guest Miss Laura King, of San Francisco, for the Christmas holidays.

## Leaves for Up-Island

Mrs. W. J. Coupland, late of 1031 Pandora Ave., left on Saturday to join her husband at their up-island home, and was accompanied by Miss F. Coupland, who will spend the Christmas vacation.

## Holiday in Squamish

Mr. and Mrs. E. Yarwood, Lee Avenue, left on Saturday for Squamish, to spend the Christmas holidays with their son

## and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. Parker Yarwood.

Go to Vancouver  
Mrs. Garvin, of Oak Bay Avenue, has left for Vancouver, where she will visit her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wolfenden. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Henshall, of this city.

## Go to Vancouver

Mrs. Packenham, of Victoria, accompanied by her little son, Christopher, has gone to Vancouver where she will spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Frances Clarke, Cogwell Lodge, Kitilano.

## Visits Victoria

Mr. R. J. Elvin has arrived in Victoria to spend Christmas with Mrs. Elvin and his little twin daughters. Mrs. Elvin has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster, 249 Foul Bay Road.

## Spends Holiday Here

Mrs. Douglas Loebe (nee Stella Goss), of Seattle, Wash., is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Goss, of 223 Belleville.

## Home for Christmas

Mr. Paul Smith, of Vancouver, has arrived in Victoria and is staying with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tall, Gladstone Avenue, for Christmas. He will return to the mainland on Thursday.

## From New Westminster

Miss Agnes McKenzie, of Columbian College, New Westminster, is a visitor at the home of Mrs. J. E. Redman, Leland Apartments, over the Christmas vacation.

## Visiting Parents

Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Rogers and Miss Donna are in the city to spend the holidays with Mrs. Rogers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bogart, 1124 Oxford Street.

## Spends Holiday Here

Mr. and Mrs. Don Montgomery, of Chicago, Ill., are spending a short holiday in the city, guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Buller, 439 Kingston Street.

## Vancouver Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. J. MacFarlane, of Vancouver, have arrived in Victoria and are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Thomas, Rockland Avenue.

## Returns from Vancouver

Miss Sheila Gillespie has returned from school in Vancouver for the Christmas holidays and is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gillespie, Sooke.

## Returns from Toronto

Miss Inez Kerr has returned to her home in Victoria from Toronto and is spending Christmas at "Ker's" with Major and Mrs. R. H. Kerr.

## Leaves for Alberni

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Thompson, of the Gorge, left on Saturday for a week's visit with their daughter, Mrs. L. A. Pineo, Alberni.

## Leave for San Francisco

Mrs. A. Pike, accompanied by her daughter, Margaret, left on Saturday for San Francisco, where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

## Spending Christmas Here

Mr. Ovington Watt, of Regina, Sask., is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Watt, 1308 Dallas Road.

## Vancouver Visitor

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Bushby, of Pemberton Road, have as their guest for the Christmas holidays Mr. Robin Piers, of Vancouver.

## Leave for Mainland

Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Griffiths, of Victoria, are spending Christmas in Vancouver, where they are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bull.

## Home from Terrace

Mrs. J. Morris Hatt, and little daughter Barbara, of Terrace, B.C., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Price, 1415 Richmond Avenue.

## Christmas Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Campbell Brown, Linden Avenue, have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Newton Burdick and Mrs. George Lindsay, of Vancouver.

## Visiting Parents

Mr. Leslie Howlett, principal of Rutland Superior School, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents here.

## Return to Victoria

After spending the past few months in Winnipeg, Mr. and Mrs. John Arbuthnot have returned to Victoria.

## Here for Christmas

Dr. and Mrs. James, of Duncan, have arrived in the Capital and are spending Christmas with Mr. Justice and Mrs. Roberts.

## Returns Home

Mr. Victor Sutherland has arrived in Victoria for Christmas and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sutherland, Foul Bay Road.

## Here from Duncan

Mrs. Trotter Johnson, of Duncan, has arrived in Victoria where she will spend the next few days. She is a guest at the Strathcona Hotel.

## To Christmas Here

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Barclay, of Duncan, accompanied by Mr. E. P. Barclay, have arrived in Victoria where they will spend Christmas.

## Visits Capital

Mr. Chas. Payne, of Vancouver, is spending Christmas in the Capital with his family.

## Returns from South

After spending the past months in California, Mr. Max Leiser has returned to Victoria.

## PORT ALBERNI

The following guests are registered at the Soanias Hotel: Mr. J. T. Dugley, Nanaimo; Mr. Ernest Ware, Mr. Frank Beesh, Victoria; Mrs. A. Hawkins, Mrs. Chess, Mr. J. C. Nelson, Ramfield; Mr. G. C. Campbell, Winnipeg; Mr. T. Pickett, Coleman Creek; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McBride, Sechart; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Watson, Port Alice; Mr. H. B. McKinnon, Quatino; Mr. G. Stuart, Victoria; Mr. G. H. Beyer, Victoria; Mr. Axel Poren, Mr. C. Benson, Vancouver; Mr. J. H. Kearns, Uclulet; Mr. Stanley Newton, Sidney Inlet; Mr.



FRINGE ADDS NOTE OF COLOR ON BLACK

Fringe is used with good effect on a plain black dress, adding a touch of color to the dress. The fringe is a large motif and is used to match the fringe. For winter wear on the fringe, which would make an effective background for this dress.

## Home from School

Miss Evelyn Garrard, who is a pupil at St. Marina School, Vancouver, arrived here a few days ago, and will travel on the Maquina to her home at Tofo to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Garrard.

## Trip to Victoria

Mr. L. W. Carter, storekeeper at the Tidewater Copper Company plant at Sidney Inlet, arrived in Victoria later. He will return to spend the Christmas holidays with his family here.

## Up from the Mine

Miss Evelyn Watson, who has been mining at Bear River, Clayoquot Sound, for the past few years, has returned by the Maquina to spend Christmas with his family here.

## Vacation Days

Seville Garrard, Ronald Hodgson and Dick Hilton, pupils of Shawigan Lake School, returned by train yesterday to spend the Christmas vacation with their parents.

## Vancouver Guests

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Herbert, of Vancouver, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Herbert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Manning.

## Visiting Son

Mrs. R. W. Elliott, of Cowichan Lake, is spending a few weeks visiting her son, Mr. Reginald Elliott, of the Bank of Montreal staff here.

## Here from Ontario

Miss A. Chandler, of Peterboro, has arrived here to take up her residence with her sister, Mrs. Edwin T. Kelly.

## From Port Angeles

Mr. George Garrard will arrive from Port Angeles to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. E. M. Garrard.

## Returns Duties

Mr. Oscar W. Day, local agent of the E. & N. Railway, who has been in Victoria for the past few weeks, has resumed his duties here.

## Go to Mainland

Mr. George Aubrey, accountant of the Port Alberni Canal Shingle Co., has left for Vancouver and will return on Thursday.

## From California

Mrs. H. M. T. Hodgson, who has been spending the past month in California, has returned home.

## Few Weeks Away

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Chandler have left for Vancouver and will spend a few weeks there.

## Off to Vancouver

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clarke and Clifford Clarke have left for Vancouver to spend the Christmas holidays.

## Few Days' Absence

Mr. O. Matson, of the Bank of Montreal staff, has left for a few days and will be absent for a few days.

## Back at Alberni

Mr. Walter L. Harris has returned from a short visit to Vancouver.

## Will Attend Ball

The Misses T. A. Gallivan and M. Merdy left on Saturday morning for Vancouver, where they will spend the Christmas and New Year vacation, and attend the big Masonic ball to be held in the Terminal City on December 28.

## From Victoria

Christina McKinnon, Edith and Etta Hood and Beatrice Bickle arrived from Victoria on Saturday last after attending Normal School, and will spend the vacation with their parents.

## Home for Christmas

Miss Genevieve McFadyen, who has been attending the University of British Columbia, is spending the Christmas and New Year holidays with her parents.

## Normal Student Home

Mr. Cyril Michel, who has been attending Normal School in Victoria, arrived on Saturday and will spend Christmas and New Year with relatives.

## From Portland

Douglas Sutherland arrived from Portland on Thursday evening last

and will spend the New Year holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sutherland, Maryport Avenue.

## Holiday Guest

Miss Logie, of Vancouver, arrived on Saturday and will be the guest of Dr. and Mrs. George Ker McNaughton for the Christmas and New Year holidays.

## Leave for Mission

Mrs. and Mr. George Apps left on Saturday morning for Mission and other points on the Fraser Valley, where they will spend the Christmas and New Year vacation with relatives.

## From Port Hammond

Miss Jessie McDonald arrived from Port Hammond on Saturday and will spend the vacation with relatives.

## Christmas Guests

Mrs. J. Bruce has as her guests her granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Mrs. A. H. Wilkinson.

## SALT SPRING ISLAND

### Christmas Market

Last Monday, 17th, for the first time at Ganges, a Christmas market was held at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Elliot, which was kindly lent by them to the stall holders, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. F. L. Scott, Mrs. B. Cartwright, Mrs. Cecil Spring, Mrs. A. C. Alan Williams, Mrs. W. T. Burdick. Clothing, millinery, hosiery and all kinds of suitable presents, holly and floral decorations, home-made Christmas dainties, and candies of every description were for sale. The market did an excellent trade, and during the morning was crowded with customers.

### Guests at Victoria

The Rev. and Mrs. Dean, accompanied by Miss Dean, left Ganges on Saturday for Victoria, where they will be the guests for Christmas of the former's sister, Mrs. German.

### From Theis Island

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ley and family, of Theis, arrived last Monday on Salt Spring and are guests for the Christmas holidays of Mrs. Ley's mother, Mrs. Price, of "Merced."

### For Holidays

Mrs. Pender and her children left Ganges on Saturday for South Pender, where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Pender's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spalding.

### Home for Holidays

Masters Gordon and Norman Beat and Kenneth Hally returned home at the end of last week from Shawigan Lake School for the Christmas holidays.

### Visit Capital

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Scott and Miss Scott left on Monday for Victoria, where they will spend a week, the guests of Mrs. Hefly, Croft.

### Go to Vancouver

Miss Ingham, of Ganges, left for Vancouver last week and will spend a week or two there with her parents.

### Visiting Mainland

Mrs. Roy Campbell and family, of Ganges, left on Thursday for Vancouver, where they will spend two months.

### To South Pender

Mrs. Bruce Irving and children left for South Pender Saturday for a visit. Mrs. Irving's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spalding.

### Holidays in City

Mr. and Mrs. Burn, of the Ganges public school, left the island on Friday for their homes in Victoria to spend the holidays.

### Visits Mother

Mrs. Toni Charlesworth, of Victoria, in the guest of her mother, Mrs. Price, of Salt Spring, for Christmas.

### Those Who Come and Go

Mrs. E. E. Neff, of Salt Spring; Arthur O. Wheeler, of Sidney; R. T. Cummings, of Cowichan Lake; Mrs. M. A. Frumena, of Cowichan; Frank N. Holmes, of Ladysmith; S. H. Mitchell, of Sidney; W. P. Mayworth, of P. Day; Mrs. J. Piltager, of P. Day; Mrs. J. Duncan; E. A. Turner, of Ganges; J. A. Costello, of Nanaimo; N. D. Turner and Mrs. Turner, of E. Allen, of Cobble Hill; W. J. Purcell, of Pender Island; J. Casanome, of Courtenay; B. Buck, of Rocky Point; J. W. Buckley and family, of Sooke, are up-island arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. W. Goughen, A. Lindstrom, C. Costas, H. Berglund, W. M. Morse, L. F. Jensen and son, of Port Angeles; Dr. L. T. Leavy, of Port Townsend; C. G. Hammond, of Port-

### Ashes Returned

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—The ashes of the late Sakaya Gensai, a Socialist leader, which were stolen from a room in which the urn was lying in state before funeral services on December 18, will be returned to the police tomorrow, the searchers have informed authorities. The theft was committed by three armed men who escaped in an automobile.

## The Mistletoe's Magic

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OST of the wonder and thrill of Christmas centres round mistletoe and its magic. Hard, it would surely be to imagine any Yuletide robbed of mistletoe and all it means. For it represents so much to every age and type of humanity—from the child, who regards it as a precious treat to be allowed to assist in hanging up the holly and mistletoe, to the jovial bachelor uncle, who makes a straight dive for the largest bunch in the darkest corner, and proceeds to indulge in what he calls "a little fun, don't you know. Christmas comes but once a year, ha! ha! what!"—very gay dog—from the blushing schoolgirl, doomed to receive many kisses under the Mistletoe's shade, from the thrills of all sorts, wondering the while if the male will condescend to notice her, to the spinster lady of uncertain age, who has to travel through life pitifully unloved, except when mistletoe magic opens wide an entrancing portal revealing rosy dreams beyond, and on her faded cheek, beneath the merry green leaves, may fall a kiss from someone who meant so much to her once.

Only he does not understand. There is a certain spell in the kiss under the mistletoe that is singularly lacking in other, more ordinary kisses. Perhaps it is the interval of twelve months that makes it so thrilling. Perhaps it is just a wave of mystery and magic wafted to the humans below from the lofty perch on which the mistletoe hangs.

For, of course, it is really a magic thing—this "baleful mistletoe," beloved by old W. Shakespeare, the mystic, mythical gods have much to do with it. A career, dating from earliest known centuries, full of evil and good, mischief and happiness, has belonged to the bough of pale green leaves with their soft grey berries.

### In calling this agent of Christmas

and will spend the New Year holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sutherland, Maryport Avenue.

## Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men

### The first is not within our power; we can but wish and hope and pray for it. Let us do so.

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land; Mrs. J. Case and Miss Case, M. of Leduc; C. H. Stuart and Mrs. Stuart, of Weymouth, Sask.; W. D. Dawson and Mrs. Dawson, of Winnipeg; Elsie Hall, of Parksville; R. O. Gallant, of Ocean Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, of Fraser Mills, are at the Dominion Hotel.

## Mr. R. Hartnell and Mrs. Hartnell,

Mr. R. Hartnell and Mrs. Hartnell, W. E. Morehouse, J. C. Green, C. J. Sears, F. Burns, O. Johnstone, Miss F. Jones, F. Brown and W. McDonald, of Vancouver, are at the Dominion Hotel.

## VICTORIA GIRL WEDS

## CAPT. JOHN MACLAREN

## Miss Thirley Wilkerson Becomes

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## Toronto Church

## News has been received in this city

## of the marriage on December 1, at

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## onto, Ontario, of Catherine Thirley,

## daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H.

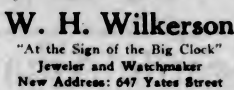
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# NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

## Questionnaire Comes Following Controversy

Americans Are Anxious Regarding Their Tennis Doubles Play, Especially With Regard to the Australians' Clever Style—Leading Players Are Asked Regarding Their Views on Tactics on the Courts

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A constructive aftermath of the recent controversy between William T. Tilden and Harold H. Hackett, of the United States Lawn Tennis Association's Davis Cup committee, over Tilden's tactics in the famous doubles match this year between America and Australia, was seen today by tennis followers in a questionnaire distributed by the U. S. Lawn Tennis Association and designed to develop better doubles play in this country. The questionnaire, prepared and distributed to 75 to 100 leading players, embraces six questions on team play. At the office of the U.S.L.T.A. it was said that the questionnaire had no connection with the Hackett-Tilden dispute, although it bears upon the same topic. The questions propounded are:

### TIJUANA RACING

TIJUANA, Mexico, Dec. 24.—Following are the results of today's racing:

First race, 5 furlongs—1, Hittump, 112 (Schaff); 2, Cassius, 112 (Connelly); 3, Barn Dollar, 115 (Kennedy). Scratch, Praiseworthy, Also ran: Marion North, Lamont, Wolf, Jr.; Lemon Beth, Missana, Stroller and Miss Dollie.

Second race, 5 1/2 furlongs—1, Hereafter, 107 (Gibson); 2, Yukon, 107 (Clark); 3, St. Angeline, 109 (Watrous). Scratch, Sir John, Jr.; The Cure and Remit. Also ran: Miss Pake, Dun Randal, Chalmers, Zinda, Foma Ray, Fayette and Big Indian.

Third race, 5 1/2 furlongs—1, Omega, 104 (Lavine); 2, Queen Catherine, 112 (Sharpe); 3, A. Lester, 100 (Wilson). Scratch, Townsend. Also ran: Star Cloudy, Seth's Memory, Virginia B., Serena, Charlotte B., Whiff, Gena Finisher, Wendles, Dell Evans, Odd Beth and Irish Buzzer.

Fourth race, mile and 70 yards—1, Rusticator, 106 (Walls); 2, Martha, 103 (Sutton); 3, Col. Lit, 108 (Thurber). Scratch, Ezechoid. Also ran: Poor Puss, Punta Corda, Peersie One, Black Thong, May Prosper, Modiste, Reydo, Drifting and Sen Jonian.

Fifth race, mile and 10 yards—1, Coffield, 103 (Erickson); 2, Ten Buns, 103 (Mein); 3, L. E. L. 103 (Watrous). Scratch, So ran: Gungshot, Zealot, Cap Clover, So It Goes and Sunnyland.

Sixth race, mile and 1-16—1, Icon, 112 (Walls); 2, Vesper Belle, 103 (Mein); 3, Candy Land, 112 (Legare). Scratch, Obelinate, Rosa Alkin, Was God, Malavena and Two Breckenridge. Also ran: Dinna Fash, Delancy, George Muehlbach, Plutell, July Fly and Lady Tiptoe.

Seventh race, mile and 1-16—1, Tule, 109 (Wood); 2, Laurence Manning, 109 (Thurber); 3, Vic, 104 (Barnes). Scratch, The Way, Wagon Direct, My Rose and Donatello. Also ran: Dainty Lady, Cavalcadeo H., Hill's Luck, Selma and Bernice E.

Eighth race, 5 furlongs—1, Salton (Cart); 2, Wild Thought, 110 (Cart); 3, Little B. Sheep, 110 (Cartrell). Scratch, The Great Emptor and Faber. Also ran: Chestnut Girl, Sly Fox, Hobby Baker, Fairchild Girl, Northfield, Bill McCloy, Dick Turpin, Alice Russell and Bobbie Allen.

Overnight Entries  
First race, 5 furlongs—Finis Glorious, 97; Chalmers, 103; Ravenwing, 103; Toots, 103; Brown Shasta, 105; May Breeze, 105; Billy Lane, 108; Remit, 108; Yukon, 109; Lady Bourbon, 109; Big Indian, 111; No Wonder, 111; Amackassin, 114; C. A. Comsky, 114; Amackassin, 114.

Second race, mile and 70 yards—Every Woman, 100; Jordan, 105; Debonora, 105; Two Breckenridge, 105; White Boots, 105; Evelyn Harrison, 110; Al Wick, 110; Geo. Muehlbach, 110; Pair Judge, 110; Seven Seas, 105; Pair Judge, 110; Plurality, 110; Madrona, 112.

Third race, mile and 70 yards—Theresa, 105; Keweenaw, 105; Col. Matt, 105; Toombolt, 105; Carr, 105; Judge David, 105; My Rose, 105; Hal Wright, 110; Olympiad, 110; Jean Corry, 111; Jay Mac, 110; Cannel, 110; Sample, 110; Mrs. Fat, 110.

Fourth race, mile and 1-8—Lady Inez, 103; June Fly, 105; Robb, 105; Devontie, 105; Ten Can, 105; Salvo, 105.

Fifth race, mile and 1-16—Chiva, 95; Ten Buttons, 98; Doughoregan, 98; Paula Shay, 101; Abadene, 107; Tangerine, 110; Over, 119; Skeetie, 112; Peysance, 122.

Sixth race, 5 1/2 furlongs—Hobby Baker, 102; The Lamb, 102; Dun Randal, 107; Paul Moon, 105; Billy Ody Man, 107; Pueblo, 107; Brian Lent, 109; Dapper Dan, 105; Duty Roy, 109; Harry D., 113; Hultener, 113; Tonitoe, 112; Lady Lebar, 114.

Seventh race, 6 furlongs—Billy Gibson, 99; Havana Electric, 101; Cavest Emptor, 101; Gownthill, 103; Clock Sticking, 102; Violet Blue, 104; Famous Blue, 104; Yalta, 104; Fighting Cock, 109; Doubtful, 115.

Eighth race, mile and 70 yards—Roughie, 100; Peter Pearson, 101; Lady Lillian, 101; Robb, 101; Mabel Rulin, 105; Roanville, 100; Miedra, 104; San Hedron, 107; Wylie, 107; 104; San Hedron, 107; Wylie, 107; 109; Summer Sligh, 110.

Track fast; weather cloudy.

### Gans and Carr Will Box New Year's Night

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Panama Joe Gans, of New York, will meet Johnny Carr, Cleveland welterweight, in a ten-round bout at Eash Chicago, New Year's night. It was announced today that Carr was originally scheduled to box Morris Schleifer, of Omaha, but Schleifer cancelled the match because of injuries.

### Olympic Hockey Team Takes First Defeat

HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 24.—The Canadian Olympic team received its first defeat from the Hamilton O.H.A. team here Saturday night, 2-2.

### Havers Wins First Match In America

PINEHURST, N.C., Dec. 24.—Paired together for the first time on American links, Arthur Havers, the British open champion, and Jimmy Dickinson, holder of the French open title, defeated Alex. Ross and Joe Capello, local professionals, one up in a 36-hole exhibition match here today.

### Scottish Rugby Union Refuses to Arrange Fixtures With All-Blacks

LONDON, Dec. 24.—A new cloud is looming on the Rugby horizon as a result of the refusal of the Scottish Union to arrange any fixtures with the All-Blacks (New Zealand Rugby team) during the latter's tour here beginning next week. The English sub-committee sent invitations to all home unions last July, but without giving any reason, the Scottish Union declined this it did not intend to seek fixtures with the New Zealanders.

It is believed that the Scottish grievance originated as far back as 1905, when the All-Blacks last visited this country. During their tour of Scotland, on the ground that the All-Blacks had infringed the rules of amateurism by accepting a travelling allowance of three shillings a day, the Scottish Union went so far as to decline their share of the gate receipts from the New Zealanders, which amounted to 13,000.

In stating their intention not to compete with the All-Blacks, the Scottish Union, it is pointed out, seem to ignore the fact that the financial arrangements of this tour are entirely in the hands of the English Union, who have expressed themselves as quite satisfied with the New Zealanders. It is declared, will not receive a penny from the tour, not even travelling allowances.

Coming on the heels of the McPherson's case, the action of the Scottish Union is reviving a 29-year-old grievance is arousing much adverse comment in Rugby circles, besides causing deep resentment in New Zealand.

### Foul Blows Will Be Heavily Penalized by French Federation

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The "one-minute rest" granted a boxer in the French ring, injured by an involuntary blow from an adversary, which has been practiced in France since the introduction of boxing to the Olympic games, is to be abolished by the French Federation. The federation has decided to adopt the system which makes the referee the sole judge of ring conduct. The federation decided that an expert boxer has no business to strike a low blow and that his opponent should be given the decision if the referee is convinced the blow was involuntarily landed, in the case of a willful foul, the boxer should be disqualified, not only for the fight in which he struck the blow, but for a number of weeks or months, as might be decided by the federation after an investigation.

### HIGH SCORES MADE IN AUSTRALIAN CRICKET

MELBOURNE, Dec. 24.—Victoria beat Queensland by an innings and 20 runs in a cricket match which was completed at 11.30 a.m. today.

Queensland compiled 142 runs in their innings and followed with 235. Victoria amassed 438 runs for the loss of two wickets in their innings and declared. Penford scored 197 runs, while Mayne made a stand for 203 runs before being retired, yielding a total of 455, a new record for batting in Australian cricket.

### OLD COUNTRY RUGBY

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Rugby matches played in the Old Country Saturday resulted as follows: Victoria, 13; Roslyn Park, 8; Old Uppingham, 13.

Cratena, 6; Tonbridge, 0. Old Millians, 5; Old Paulines, 14. LONDON, Dec. 24.—A rugby match today, Llanelli defeated the Watsons 17 to 8.

### MACAULEY POINT GOLF

The monthly medal competition of the Macauley Point Golf Club was won by A. C. Falk with a net score of 66 and 84 gross. Other leading scores were: A. Hutchinson, 92-24; G. Jones, 91-26; and T. J. 91-26.

### GRASS HOCKEY TODAY

There will be grass hockey game today at 3 p.m., on the Willow ground, also tomorrow at the same time and place. Several matches are in the immediate future, and it is hoped that members will keep fit over the festive season.

The earliest example of foot covering was a bag of leather about the ankle and drawn about the ankle.

## Amateur Hockeyists Resume Tomorrow

TWO amateur hockey games are scheduled for tomorrow at the local arena. The Pacific and Colonists will be the first to take the ice at 8 p.m. The Pacific have not yet been defeated, and the Colonists have one victory to their credit. This game is the first of the season.

The second game will bring the first victory of the season to either the Pacific or the Colonists. Each will be fighting hard to keep out of the cellar, which one of them must occupy, and those who take in the fun are sure to see some fast hockey.

The teams were announced last night as follows: Pacific—Strath, Copas, Matthews, Tuckwell, Medjibbons and Lumsden. Sons of Canada—Watson, Colville, Cook, Smith, Pittsmona, English, Glazen and E. Pinchbeck.

## ENTER ZEV FOR ASCOT GOLD CUP

THOROUGHBREDS OF THREE NATIONS MAY RACE

British Turf Event May See American, French and British Horses Striving for the Honors

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—International thoroughbred competitions in 1924 may be ushered in on English turf with a three-cornered contest bringing together crack representatives of England, France and the United States. This was indicated today as a result of the entry of two Rancocas stable stars, Zev and Grey, for the Ascot Gold Cup, historic 1,000,000 race here last October, and Epsom, French 1,000,000 race, booked for a series of international tests in this country next Fall, also are eligible.

Admiral Cary T. Grayson's My Own, one of the best of the year's American three-year-olds, also entered for the Gold Cup, so his country may have three representatives. The new owner of My Own, it is believed, would welcome a return test with Zev on home ground.

As the Ascot race is slated to be run the latter part of June, it would not conflict with the already made plans for international races here, in which Epsom is to meet Zev. In Memoriam, My Own and probably other American rivals in September or October.

## ESQUIMALT MARVELS AT JUVENILE TALENT

Lampson Street School Holds Closing Concert—Pupils Please Two Capacity Audiences

A remarkable display of juvenile talent brought out by patient and understanding methods, was shown by the children of Lampson Street school at the entertainment which took place in the auditorium on the evenings of Thursday and Friday last. Capacity audiences were well-known to the fans and are rare for a crack at the first.

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## Veteran Ball Manager Resigns His Position

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 24.—Jack Hendricks, veteran manager of the Indianapolis Baseball Club of the American Association, resigned his position yesterday. The resignation was accepted by William C. Smith, owner of the team, and becomes effective immediately. The change was said by both Hendricks and Smith to have been brought about with friendly conditions prevailing.

With the exception of 1913, when he piloted the St. Louis Nationals, Hendricks has managed the Indianapolis club since 1913.

## BASKETBALL GAMES ARE ON TOMORROW

Two Good Games Promised—Fidella Meet All-Star Team—Bluebirds Play Firsts

Two good basketball games are to be played at the High School gymnasium tomorrow evening. A ladies' game between the Fidella and an all-star team captained by Grace Wellman will start the night's programme. The Fidella will have Isabel Crawford, Beth Campbell, Jeanette McQueen, Ethelbrook, Marjorie Breckenridge and Bertha Rosa ready for the fray.

The men's game between the Bluebirds, managed by Jim Bryant, and a good game to wagers. The big floor will give both teams a chance to show some good combination work and make the game a good one to watch. The Bluebirds have strengthened their team with the acquisition of Eddie Rutledge, late of the crack Duncan team. He is a dead shot and will be used on the forward line. Scotty Dowda, Art Hole, Sid Hole, Jim Underwood and Jimmie Buckett make up the rest of the team. All these players are well-known to the fans and are rare for a crack at the first.

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## Seattle Amateurs Win From Towers Sextette

American Puckchasers Tie Up the Race for Wilkerson Trophy by Taking Last Night's Hockey Fixture by Four to Three—Mainlanders Made Strong Rally in Last Period of Match

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—Seattle All-Stars tied up the race for the Wilkerson Trophy here tonight, when they defeated Towers, representatives of the local amateur hockey league, in a thrilling contest by the score of four to three. Play in the period was even, each team scoring a goal. Seattle's counter came early in the period, while the Towers equalized toward the close. In the second period brilliant attacks led by Messenger and McKenzie resulted in the invaders scoring 3 goals, wobbly work by Lett, the Towers goalie, upsetting the team in this period. Towers showed a reversal of form in the final period and literally skated Seattle off their feet. The visitors played a five-man defence throughout this period, but, in spite of these stonewall tactics, the Towers went through for two goals and were pressing strongly at the finish. The brilliant work of the Seattle goalie featured the game.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLUB SHOWS RAPID GROWTH

St. Andrew's Rangers Seeking Larger Quarters—Much Useful Work Done for Boys

The St. Andrew's Rangers, of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday School, have been growing rapidly during the last few months. It has become necessary to vacate the former classroom and to seek a larger one elsewhere in the Sunday school. The club has a very fine mentor in Mr. John G. Simpson, who, together with the strong executive, does the utmost for the welfare of the club as a whole.

Several committees look after the different branches of the club's activities, and under this system the club is quickly becoming very popular. At present there are the social, athletic, the programme, the progress and finance committees.

The president of the club is Robert Little, the vice-president, Thomas Little; secretary-treasurer, Archie Wood, and chairman of the club, A. Gilson Thorburn.



## London News and Gossip

By Elizabeth Montizambert

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Everything points to a magnificent Canadian display at Wembley next spring. The exhibits are coming in, the building is rapidly nearing completion under Mr. Tolmie's energetic supervision, and visitors can gain a good idea of the ultimate appearance.

I hear many hopes expressed that the exhibits sent over will include ample evidence of Canada's development in the arts and crafts as well as in the more obvious directions of agriculture, machinery and industry. The able directors of the Canadian exhibition over here can only see to the worthy presentation of what is sent to them, but Canadian exhibitors who weary of hearing their country spoken of only as a land of granular orchards and canning factories long to see examples of Canadian pottery, weaving, embroidery, bookbinding and many other artistic industries. If it were possible to organize such a thing I should like to see a tea-room run during the exhibition for the sale of Canadian cakes and cookies. No English child has ever even heard of a cookie, and the few places where it is possible to get a good sandwich cake in London are nearly all American.

The English have their own specialty, in which they excel, their plum, Dundee or fruit cakes, and one shared Queen Victoria's opinion. If not her astonishment, when she asked about the penny bun: "What is this delicious little cake?" But when it comes to making unadorned cake the British people as a rule exhibit the dogged patience that has made the race so great.

**Lancet's Centenary**  
The centenary dinner of The Lancet had a very far-reaching interest, since that well-known weekly takes its origin from a healing all over the world. Over four hundred guests assembled, and the somewhat lengthy toast list was gone through with a praiseworthy determination. How one wishes that the new-fledged government would pass a law forbidding anyone to speak more than ten minutes if there are only three speakers, and five minutes if there are more! Sir Gordon Hewart could have told us that he thought the new proposal to attribute much crime to insanity was a dangerous one in half the time he took for his eloquent speech, which was one of the best of the evening, but everyone cheered up when Sir Squire Sprague rose to reply to the toast to The Lancet. The thunderous applause that greeted him showed the place he has won among medical men during his twenty-nine years of editorship of The Lancet, years that included the long war years, when he gave himself unstintingly in the cause of the wounded or distressed. The centenary number of The Lancet contains no more than a cursory mention of the name of its present editor; those who know him will easily guess that it was compiled by himself, for Sir Squire has always detested any form of self advertisement. While the penicillin of the founders of The Lancet might have been less interesting, written by a less able pen, many of its readers will regret that no collaborator was allowed to give some record of the long and brilliant services of Sir Squire Sprague.

**A Canadian Singer**  
Sir Landon Ronald's new departure in organizing promenade Saturday evening concerts at the Albert Hall is meeting with much success. Last week the programme was chosen

from Gounod's and Bizet's operas, and Miss Sarah Placher, the Canadian singer, added to her many laurels by her rendering of the Jewel Song from "Faust" and Michael's song from "Carmen." Although suffering from a severe cold, Miss Placher's excellent diction enabled her to give the Jewel Song so beautifully that The Times' musical critic said that her rendering was one of the best he had heard, while the song from Carmen roused so much enthusiasm in the audience that Miss Placher was persuaded to give an encore. Among the audience were Lady Margaret Boscawen, Major and Mrs. George Vanier, Lady Twining and Mrs. Raymond Massey.

One of the amusing things about these concerts is the last number that is always left unnamed. The sender of the first correct description gets a box for the next concert, and Sir Landon says he gets the most wonderful howlers among the answers. Last week only one guesser, a woman, had sent in the correct answer of March Militaire with trio left out, but one ingenious person thought it was the overture from Tuddigore.

**The P. E. N. Club**  
The rule of "no after-dinner speakers" at the monthly dinners of the P. E. N. Club has been relaxed in order that all the members may have a chance of hearing the distinguished guest of the evening. In the absence of the president, Mr. John Haisworth, the chair at the last dinner was taken by Mr. William Archer, who received many congratulations on the continued success of his play, "The Green Goddess," still playing to full houses at the St. James Theatre. The guest of the evening was Mr. Johannes Jenson, a Danish author, part of whose tremendous story, "The Long Journey," has been translated into English. Most of us only recall one beloved name when Danish authors are mentioned, but Mr. Archer assured us that though Hans Andersen might be good, someone—I think he said "Jensen," who lived at the beginning of the nineteenth century—was better. I am content to take his word, and read "The Mermaid," "The Emperor's New Clothes" and "The Ugly Duckling" all over again.

### York School Gives Concert at Duncan

DUNCAN, Dec. 24.—The pupils of the York Road School were treated to a party by their teacher, Miss G. McInnes, on Thursday evening in the rooms of the Cowichan Women's Institute. The children, who were entertained to supper and had a happy time playing games first in the evening, but on an excellent little programme, after which Santa Claus on his round called in and distributed presents to all the pupils.

Mr. W. M. Dwyer, chairman of the Duncan Consolidated School Board, acted as chairman. The programme began with a song, "Ten Little Nigger Boys," given by ten of the young pupils. This was followed by a recitation, "Santa Claus," by Herbert Brown, and a recitation, "Perplexed," by Michael Stuart. The beginners' class gave a song in chorus, "A B C." Michael Stuart and Madeline Butt won applause in their duet, "Cock Robin and Jenny Wren." Other recitations included one, "Dickie's Wish," by Dick Christmas, "Santa and His Reindeer," by Anthony Stuart; "A Christmas Carol," by Dick Corsey; "Christmas," by Roger Weicker; and "When the Fairies Lived Here," by Norman Hedley. "Sweet and Low" was exceptionally well rendered by seven little girls. "The Months of the Year," given by the boys, went with a string. A dialogue, "Jack Frost and Tom Ruddy," was given by Warren Savage and Francis Tait; with the "To Bed We Go," recitation by the beginners, carrying candles and wearing their sleeping-suits, bringing the programme to a close. Prizes given by Miss McInnes were presented to Madeline Butt, who won nine gold stars and received the proficiency medal; to Warren Savage, for arithmetic; and to Norman Hedley, for spelling.

On behalf of the children, Mr. Dwyer presented Miss McInnes with a fountain pen, and little Miss Joyce Gooding, on behalf of the pupils, presented Mrs. Stuart with a bouquet of carnations as a token of appreciation for her assistance in the training of the children.

The following are the names of the children who took part: Madeline Butt, Hubert Brown, Dick Christmas, Thomas Dave, June Eastman, Florence Evans, Joyce Gooding, Herbert Hamon, Norman Hedley, Connie LeMa, Lawrence McFadden, William McFadden, Henry Mottishaw, Carrie Olsen, Diana Phillips, Doris Powell, Verna Richmond, Warren Savage, Mary Savage, Aileen Stannard, Anthony Stuart, Michael Stuart, Francis Tait, Bertram Thorpe, Roger Weicker, Inez Woodward and Olga Woodward.

### LADIES LIBERAL CLUB HOSTESSES AT DANCE

The Ladies' Liberal Club held the first of a series of Saturday night dances in the Chamber of Commerce rooms last Saturday. Dancing was indulged in from 9 to 12, and everyone present enjoyed himself thoroughly.

The number attending was very satisfactory for an opening night, especially in view of the fact that it was so close to the holidays and many people took advantage of the evening to shop. Zula's orchestra dispensed the latest dance music, with Mr. David Dumbarton singing in the chorus of several numbers.

The drawing for turkeys was announced at 11 o'clock, with Mrs. Elsie Zula, president of the club, drawing the numbers from a box on the platform. The first number, 31, went to Mr. Wilfred Hill, of 1123 Government Street, and the second number, 46, to Mr. Fred Durick, of 1123 Ormond Street.

On Saturday next the dance will be repeated, when a further drawing of turkeys will take place, there being three turkeys and a special fourth prize allowed for the occasion.



MR. W. M. DWYER

Ontario's Agent-General in England, who says that it has cost Great Britain £200,000 to send £7,000,000 worth of goods to the overseas dominions during this year. He suggests that the money now saved in doing so should be applied to settling the surplus British population in dominions in Canada, Australia and the other dominions.

### Thanks to Rotary, Many Kiddies Will Have Happy Time

The old adage "The better the day the better the deed," was in evidence yesterday, when the Rotary Committee went to work on Sunday afternoon and made out the gift scrips that will bring happiness to several hundred children today. Along with the scrips for shoes and clothing went the magic card that will admit the bearer to Rotary's big Christmas tree party on Friday afternoon, which commences at 2:30 o'clock.

Because of the great amount of distress revealed by the Rotary survey and of the number of exceedingly worthy cases to whom the gift scrip could not be extended on account of lack of funds, it has been decided to keep the fund open for a few days longer. It is realized, too, that there are many who would be glad to donate a few dollars to this fund, but the press of Christmas business has driven the thought from their mind. Rotarians agree that every dollar subscribed can be used in this very worthy cause.

Donations received yesterday were as follows:

Already acknowledged	\$1,825.81
W. M. Allan	5.00
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Captain Richards	5.00
Marion	16.25
A. Friend	5.00
Anon (Ladysmith)	1.00
Willie Menzies	1.00
W. H. Stevens	5.00
Miriam Temple	2.00
Daughters of the Nile	10.00
John Yarrow	5.00
Cash total	\$1,974.04

Ormonds, Ltd., candy; National Brokerage Co., candy; Victoria Sporting Goods Co., bells.

### Poultry Raisers Agree Best to Hang Together

SALT SPRING ISLAND, Dec. 24.—At a meeting held at the Mahon Hall on December 13, the poultrymen of Salt Spring Island were afforded an opportunity of hearing a most comprehensive and lucid report of the activities of the B. C. Poultrymen's Co-operative Exchange.

Mr. Rutledge, president of the exchange, and Mr. G. C. Milnes, managing director, in two excellent addresses, reviewed the past work of the exchange and outlined the plans for future development. The meeting was open to all, and several members of the exchange also gave their views on the egg marketing problem. Mr. N. E. Scott's apt saw, "Hang together or you'll hang separately," accurately expressed the opinion of those present.

Like all co-operative efforts, this exchange has had a hard fight for existence, but has steadily forged ahead through it all, and is now in a strong position, without it, the state of the poultry industry of British Columbia during the past very difficult season would be hard to picture, speakers said.

### COMING EVENTS

Scottish Dance—Arrangements have been completed for the Scotch dance to be held in Orange Hall on New Year's Eve, under the auspices of Victoria Quilting Club.

Canadian Scottish—Members of the unit who can attend the Drill Hall at 8:15 p.m. Thursday, for the purpose of decorating the messes for New Year's Day are particularly requested to turn out. It is important that C.S.M.'s should be present.

Affair Postponed—The Women's Progressive Conservative Club will not hold its usual weekly five hundred party and dance next Wednesday, the event being postponed until January 2, when it will take place in the Caladonia Hall.

Royal Review, W. B. A.—The regular meeting of Royal Review, No. 18, W. B. A., will be held at Harmony Hall tomorrow night. A social time will be spent after the meeting. Members are asked to invite their friends.

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## CHRISTMAS SPIRIT ALIVE IN HOSPITALS

Hospitals Gay With Holly and Evergreens—Christmas Trees in Children's Wards—Aged Men and Women Made Happy—Children's Aid Home Unfortunates Quarantined With Chickenpox—Hampers to Needy Families

THE Christmas spirit is to be found within the hospitals and the several institutions for the care of homeless children and aged men and women here. Yuletide decorations, the Christmas tree, gifts, and the Christmas dinner are contributing their share.

At the Jubilee Hospital last evening such of the patients as could do so, gathered in the children's ward where a Christmas tree, gaily decorated, stood. Santa Claus was on hand to distribute the gifts to the children and the grownups. The nurses delighted with a programme of appropriate vocal music. The daughters of Phil had decorated the wards and corridors with holly and evergreens, giving the interior of the hospital a cheery appearance. The nurses have seen to the fixing up of the rooms in Christmas fashion. The Women's Auxiliary has also been active in making the holiday pleasant for the patients.

At noon today the eighty nurses of the training school will have a Christmas dinner together, while the superiors will look after the wards for them and will later dine together themselves.

The members of the Hospital Board are expected to visit the hospital at noon today, and many other visitors will call there during the day. Through the kindness of citizens, flowers have been provided to add their charming influence.

**Music With Dinner**  
In the tubercular ward the Florence Nightingale Chapter of the I.O.D.E. made the place bright with decorations. There is a Christmas tree in each ward and room, and every patient is receiving a gift, these being supplied by the Lady Douglas Chapter, the Red Cross and the Sunshine Club.

At noon today, Christmas dinner will be served in the ward. Heaton's orchestra providing music as in its genial custom. The presentation of the gifts will follow dinner. The fact that the tubercular ward has just been repaired and freshly painted has greatly improved its appearance for the holiday season.

Although the institution has many patients, with the consequent increase in labor for its staff, time has been found to decorate the interior of the St. Joseph's Hospital in a Christmas fashion. Evergreens, red bells, and holly are to be seen throughout the building. The nurses' dining-room is particularly well decorated. Within the children's ward is a Christmas tree heavily laden with presents for the expectant kiddies who will receive them this morning. The patients are receiving gifts and generous donations have also been made to the institution itself.

The nurses themselves did much of the decorating while that in the men's wards was carried out by patients. There was a competition between the men's wards for the best decorations and it was won by the soldiers' ward. Special Christmas fare will be provided for nurses and patients today.

There was midnight mass for sisters and patients in the chapel of the hospital last night.

At noon today the children of the Protestant Orphan's Home will revel in the delights of Christmas dinner. On Wednesday afternoon they will attend the pantomime, while on Friday afternoon there will be a concert by the youngsters, and Santa Claus will pick the gifts from the Christmas tree and distribute them.

**Quarantined, But—**  
The young folks at the Children's Aid Home are quarantined because of chickenpox, which will interfere with the visits of friends. However, the most will be done under the circumstances to make the kiddies happy. Christmas dinner will be served to them at noon today, and after supper Santa Claus will distribute the presents from the tree. A concert had been prepared for tonight, but it will have to be postponed. The Home is suitably decorated for the day.

The inmates of the Old Men's Home will have Christmas dinner at noon today, while the breakfast and supper menus will also reflect the occasion. Presents will be given to each of the inmates of the Aged Women's Home. Christmas dinner will be served at noon. Special decorations mark the time of year.

The Friendly Help Association and Salvation Army have distributed hampers to needy families in order that they might have Christmas dinners this year. The Army will serve a Christmas dinner at its hotel, which appears in holiday attire. Up to last night the pots of the Salvation Army were to be seen hung from tripods at the street corners to receive donations toward the good work of the organization. The Army's bands will play in various parts of the city this morning, as is usual on Christmas Day.

### WINNER OF DOLL

Princess Patricia Lodge, Daughters of St. George, held its fortnightly meeting on Friday evening at its lodge room, Government Street, with Slater S. Belland, W.P., presiding. At the conclusion of the business of the evening, a doll beautifully dressed as a bride by Mrs. Latham, 424 William Street, and donated by the Order in aid of the bazaar held December 7, was drawn for and won by Mrs. Collins, 610 Gorge Road, the winning number being 161. Light refreshments were served at the close.

Hanriette Davids, a German woman who wrote a cook book, has been honored as one of the country's benefactors, and a tablet placed in her memory.

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**General Smuts to Postpone U.S. Visit**

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—General Jan Smuts will be unable to accept the invitation of the foreign policy association to visit the United States, a cable from the South African Premier made public today stated. Explaining that his public duties would not permit of his coming to the United States at this time, General Smuts said he had long looked forward to such a visit whenever his official work would permit.

**At the Playhouses**

**TOM MOORE STARS IN "BIG BROTHER"**

Capitol Theatre Filled to Capacity Last Evening to See Big Crook Drama—Full of Thrills

"Big Brother," a Rex Beach story and a Paramount picture, featuring Tom Moore, Raymond Hatton and Edith Roberts, was shown for the first time at the Capitol Theatre yesterday. It's an Allan Dwan production, and something really big in the line of entertainment.

The theme is that old, yet ever-new topic of regeneration. The story centres around one Jimmy Donovan and a little fellow, Midge, an orphan left absolutely alone in the world when his "big brother" is killed at the season's big social event, the annual dance of the Pat McGraw Pastime Club. Big Ben Murray was Jim's pal, and Donovan's last words to his faithful lieutenant were a promise to bring him up straight. He fights a terrific battle with himself and finally manages to go straight, though he hates the police. Accused of the theft of his friend's pay-roll, Donovan does a Houdini out



Robinson's Syncopators, ten young colored gentlemen who are reputed to be expert manipulators of a large number of musical instruments, are the chief attraction at the Playhouse Theatre this week. They call their musical production "Symphonic Syncopation," but it is said to sound much more musical than that.

of his handcuffs and starts hot-footed on the trail of thieves—Cockey Joe Miller and his gang, retrieving at the risk of his own life the money. In fact, he is seriously wounded. The authorities are informed of the case, and in appreciation the cops are admonished to "lay off" Jimmy Donovan, he's turned straight—not that the Car of the Car Barn Gang was chicken-hearted or even a "sail"—rather a gentleman who had become a gangster through circumstances and turned the well-known leaf for Midge's sake—and a girl.

Cockey Bennett, as Midge Murray is the cleverest juvenile actor the screen has yet seen, bar none. The whole thing is superbly done—another Dwan triumph—a gripping story, simply, though convincingly produced. It's the best crook drama we've ever seen.

**NEW ARIZONA PICTURE IS EXCITING PICTURE**

"The Call of the Canyon," Showing at Dominion Theatre, is Based on Zane Grey's Well-Known Novel

A story of New York and Arizona, of Western ranch life and Eastern society, is the Paramount picture "The Call of the Canyon," a screen version of Zane Grey's latest novel, directed by Victor Fleming and featuring Richard Dix, Lois Wilson and Estelle Taylor, which had a highly successful premier at the Dominion Theatre last evening.

"The Call of the Canyon" has a double appeal for those who like society dramas, ballroom scenes, and for those who enjoy stirring Western dramas. There are many comedy touches throughout the course of the production, with impressive shots of the Arizona cattle country, its mountains and canyons. The love interest is furnished by the featured players as Glenn Kilbourne, an Easterner, ordered West for his bride, a successful horse racer; Carley Hurch, in love with Glenn, too greatly attached to the mad society whirl of New York to sacrifice her empty pleasures for the clean, wholesome life offered her as Kilbourne's wife; and Flo Hunter, daughter of a sheep rancher, who gave Glenn his start in the West, the girl having nursed Kilbourne back to health when it seemed that only a miracle would pull him through. The climax follows a series of thrilling incidents, is a happy one for all concerned.

Then, too, there is the supporting cast—a hand-picked array of stellar players it might, without exaggeration, be called. Noah Beery, Ricardo Cortez, Fred Huntley and Lillian Leighton are included among the more prominent players, while others are Helen Timmer, Leonard Clapham, Edward Clayton and Dorothy Seaton. The picture is fascinating from start to finish.

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**HARP SOLO IS ONE FEATURE OF SOUSA PROGRAMME**

A bright and charming spot in the programme of this season's tour of Lieut.-Com. John Philip Sousa and his band, is the solo number by Miss Winifred Beazley, harpist. Miss Beazley, a Canadian birth, citizen of the United States by choice, after studying with America's foremost instructors of the harp, made her debut in New York City. Not satisfied at the time to go into concert work, though her teachers and critics agreed that she was amply prepared, she went on tour as a harpist with Miss Beazley, the famous musical comedy star. Her purpose in doing this was

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The Screen  
Capitol—"Big Brother," starring Tom Moore.  
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Dominion—Richard Dix in "The Call of the Canyon."  
Playhouse—George Arliss in "The Ruling Passion."  
Royal—Douglas MacLean in "A Man of Action." Tonight only.

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Pantages—Vaudeville for two days, commencing tonight at 7 o'clock.  
Royal—Rising, today, 3 p.m. Christmas Pantomime, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Sousa's Band, Saturday.

PLAYHOUSE, The newest of the THEATRE George Arliss photographs, "The Ruling Passion," was shown yesterday at the Playhouse Theatre, and we classify this United Artists feature as the third successive Arliss picture to

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to gain confidence, improve her technique, and enlarge her repertoire. Continuing her study under the direction of Mr. Sousa, the result is that aside from a wide familiarity with the classic, Miss Beazley has included in her repertoire a long list of those simple melodies, so beautiful and appealing when played by so proficient an artist as she. This famous band will appear at the Royal, matinee and evening of Saturday, December 29.

**"A MAN OF ACTION" AT ROYAL TONIGHT**

"Mystery-Comedy, Starring Popular Screen Artist, Douglas MacLean, Showing This Evening

Thomas H. Ince's mystery-comedy, "A Man of Action," with Douglas MacLean in the role of a youth with more money than ambition who is blackjacked into a twenty-four-hour career of crime, is the best comedy in which Douglas MacLean has appeared since "The Hotentot," in showing at the Royal for the last time this evening. The first performance will commence at 8 o'clock.

The scenes of "A Man of Action" are laid in San Francisco, both among the palatial homes of Nob Hill and in the dens along Pacific Street and the Barbary Coast. The story was filmed by Director James Horne both in San Francisco and Los Angeles, in the original story by Bradley King.

There is plenty of comedy throughout the picture, which has three unique scenes "creations" in "Happy," the shell-shocked veteran of a Central American revolution; "Frisco Rose," who wears second-hand clothes; and "The Deacon," who is an expert on panels, trick doors, collapsible staircases and miscellaneous exits and this-way-outs.

The story centres around a diamond robbery. The owner of the jewels, a man played by Douglas MacLean, is mistaken for the Chicago Kid, a famous crook, and is blackjacked and taken to his own home where for twenty-four speedy and funny hours he becomes the master mind of a gang of crooks.

Featured in the excellent cast with MacLean are Marguerite de la Motte, Raymond Hatton, Arthur Hodge, Wade Boteler, Arthur Millet, Kingsley Benedict, William Courtwright and Katherine Lewis.

**PANTOMIME TO HAVE APPEAL TO YOUNG AND OLD**

O Interest in young and old alike is the forthcoming production to be produced by Mr. Reginald Hincks, under the auspices of the Gonzales Chapter, I.O.D.E., and distinguished patronage.

Such an intensely humorous show Mr. Hincks has never before put on, and the wonderful singing, special scenery, charming actors and actresses, clever dances and specially composed music is quite exceptional.

Everybody will want to see Mr. and Mrs. James, The Fairy Queen, The Brighteyes, and the hundred and one little novelties which go to make up this huge show. The children have not for one instant been forgotten, and two wonderful surprises are awaiting them which are certain to arouse them to the highest point of rapture and enthusiasm.

There is a beauty chorus full of pep and ability, and their singing is remarkable enough to astound the critical Victoria audiences.

Throughout the whole of the three acts, the show is full of pleasant surprises, sparkling humor and snappy sayings, which will keep everyone happy until the curtain falls.

**THERE'S ONLY ONE ED WYNN AND HE IS IN "THE FOOL"**

Ed Wynne continues under the management of A. L. Erlanger in association with Bertram C. Whitney, and is one of the most successful comedians at present before the public. He is limitless. There is only one Ed Wynne. There is only one "Perfect Fool." The complete production and original personnel will come to the Royal Victoria Theatre, two nights, Wednesday and Thursday, January 3 and 10.

**ROSLING, RUSSIA'S GREATEST TENOR, SINGS HERE TODAY**

This afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rosling, Russia's greatest tenor, will give one of his marvellous emotional performances of song and operatic aria at the Royal, matinee only. Tremendous in their emotional sweep, the depth of their significance, unimpaired by facial expression and bodily pose, that bring in most vivid fashion both to ears and eyes some great episode in Russian life. Rosling's interpretations are the most gripping and

**STOP!**

Do you know that tomorrow matinee and night, Thursday, and Friday one of the best shows that possibly could be in this city at this time of the year will open at the

**ROYAL**  
**Christmas Pantomime**  
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(Under the auspices of the Gonzales Chapter, I.O.D.E., Funds to help furnish Room for the Jubilee Hospital)  
Beauty Chorus of 40 Voices—Cast of 75—Special Scenery—Music—Dancing—Colors—Comedy—Singing—Laughter  
OH! GEE! OH! GOSH! OH! GOSH! IT WILL BE GREAT!  
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poignant ever heard in Victoria. Rosling belongs to the school of the veteran Russian basso, Chaliapin, perhaps the greatest basso alive. Yet, despite the fact that Chaliapin commands a fee of four thousand dollars a night, Rosling's interpretations have been declared by many leading critics to be as "effective as Chaliapin's." Critics from George Bernard Shaw and Ernest Newman down to the lesser writers on the daily press of three continents are unanimous in their tributes to the magnificent art of Rosling. The great singer will not appear again here until at least two years hence, so that his concert this afternoon is a farewell to the music lovers of Victoria, whom he thrilled last season with his marvelous singing.

**COMING OF SAN CARLO COMPANY AROUSES INTEREST**

Unusual interest has been aroused by the announcement that the San Carlo Grand Opera Company is to visit Victoria.

Manager Cliff Denham reports that already several hundred calls by mail and telephone have taken over a large part of the house for both performances of January 2 and 3.

Fortune Gallo is sending his full company of one hundred to present Verdi's dramatic "Rigoletto" and Puccini's quaint and tragic "Madame Butterfly." With the company is a full symphonic orchestra and a great augmented chorus of real singers.

Consuelo Escobar will be the Gilda of the Rigoletto cast, with the dramatic Mario Basilio as the Rigoletto himself. For the Butterfly, a native Japanese singer, Haru Onuki, who has taken the country by storm, will take the name part, with Onofrei as the tenor, and Mario Valle as the baritone.

**Four Moonshiners Shot And 13 Jailed In Raid**

MARION, Ill., Dec. 24.—Four men were shot, one seriously, in a roundup of alleged moonshiners and bootleggers in Williams County, Saturday night and yesterday, and today 13 persons were held in the Franklin County Jail at Benton, and sixty-two were at liberty under bonds ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000. All were charged with violating the federal prohibition law.

**DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS**  
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**ARENA**  
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Reserved Seats \$1.10, \$1.25  
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**LAUDS TWO GREAT PILLARS OF EMPIRE**

Retiring British Journalist Praises for Honest Politicians and Incorruptible Press

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Mr. Alfred Robb, London editor of The Birmingham Post, is retiring from newspaper work after a service of nearly forty years. The record of his general election, he says, makes him doubt whether the press has really all the influence which is claimed for it. But this was the only country in the world in which it did not pay to purchase the press. He had been in the confidence of every leading politician of every political section and never had he received a hint or suggestion that any good, pecuniary or otherwise, would come to the newspaper he represented or to himself as its representative because he advocated a particular policy of the government.

There are two institutions in the country of which the public has the right to be proud—the parliament, the personal honesty of which, whatever the competition he never doubted; and a press not subject to corruption.

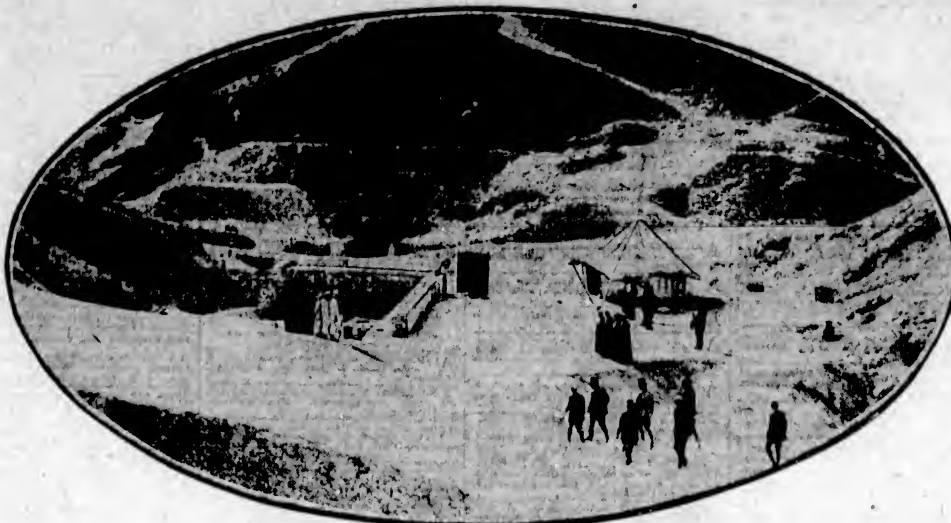
Special Christmas Dinner—Strathcona Cafe, 12 to 2 and 5:30 to 8. Price, \$1.60.



# The Colonist's Pictorial Page



Some people consider cats unlucky, but from the smile on the faces of Winston Churchill and his eldest daughter, as they pass his black tabby mascot, it would seem that they are strongly of a reverse opinion.



This unique picture shows the general conditions of the present work of excavation being carried on at King Tutankhamen's tomb. Stretching out in the background is the valley of the kings, while in the foreground is the headquarters of the native police maintained to guard the neighborhood.



Anton Lang, who for the past thirty years has enacted the role of Christ in the historical "Passion Play," is shown as he appeared on his arrival in New York with his actors and musicians.



The famous Parisian beauty, Ida Rubenstein, is shown as she appeared in the opening of "La Dame Aux Camelias", made famous by the late Sarah Bernhardt. She has been proclaimed the most beautiful woman in the world.



Lady Astor is "heckled" on the electioneering platform by one of the many followers of opponents, but with the manner in which only Lady Astor can reply this individual was properly put down.



The aborigines of the Island of Palm off the Australian coast decorate their bodies by pricking sharp knives into their skin and then placing small pieces of cotton into the openings.



"Every day in every way." M. Emile Coue is still going strong with his auto-suggestion cure. He is giving a series of demonstrations in London, where he is attempting to treat patients for sleeping sickness.



This photograph was taken at the Ecole Normale de Joinville, where officers of the French army receive their training in fencing and physical culture. A class is shown receiving instructions.



Charles H. Ebbets, president of the Brooklyn Robins, caused a sensation recently when he made an offer of \$275,000 for Roger Hornsby, of the St. Louis Cardinals. This is the highest offer ever made for a baseball player.



Lloyd Hughes and Gloria Hope, both of movie fame, were recently married. A tour of the world is being planned for a series of films, which will serve as a honeymoon for the newlyweds.



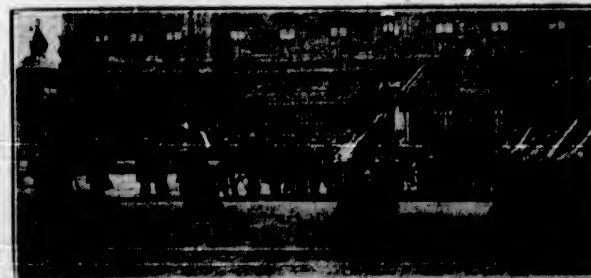
Signora Alice Palloteli, member of the Italian Fascisti, and an attractive wearer of the "black shirt", is in New York explaining the methods of Mussolini. She is shown here with her little son.



Miss Mollie Panter-Downes, of England, although only 16 years of age, has been writing since she was a child of seven. She has just published her first novel, "Shoreless Sea," a work said to be surprisingly mature.



Who's next? Here is a native tonorial artist of India with his array of tonics within reach.



Photograph shows the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace, London. The guard consists of the Welsh, Irish, Coldstream, and Scots Guards, who in turn usually do duty for one week.



Here are the eyes that spy on Man. They belong to M. Camille Flammarion, French scientist and authority on planetary phenomena. He hopes to prove the theory that there are other inhabited planets.







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